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Shot Guns and Rifles
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Remember that I keep all kinds of hunting, fishing and sporting goods on hand and that I will not be undersold by any dealer in Southwestern Michigan. Winchester repeating rifles all sizes at \$10, \$11 and \$14 each; see the old and new models. Quackenbush 22 calibre and other target guns; Winchester repeating shot gun, 6 shots, at \$17; one Parker Bros. double barrel shot gun, second-hand at \$20 and I have double barrel breech loading shot guns, both 10 and 12 gauge at \$7, \$9, \$11 and \$12 each; single barrel breech loaders, both new and second-hand at \$5, \$6 and \$7 each; muzzle loading shot guns at the lowest prices, loaded paper shells 10, 12 and 16 gauge, a leader at 25 cents per box. I have the quick shots, Rivals and U. M. C. in large stock, so that you can be suited on shot sizes; a full and complete line of Winchester, Colts and Martin rifle cartridges at winning prices; 25 different sizes of revolver cartridges. B. B. Floberts and Blanks, Laffin and Rand's shot gun; rifle and blasting powder, smokeless powder for rifles and shot guns; shot gun fixtures; brass shells, loaded and unloaded; buck, common shot and bar lead; reloading tools for rifles and shot guns, cartridge belts and shell bags, hunting coats, vests and hats, canvas game bags and belts for hunters, powder flasks and shot pouches; primers, snipe, turkey and duck calls; shot gun shells loaded with smokeless powder, bowie knives and knives for hunters, pasteboard and felt wads, waterproof and G. D. gun caps. All kinds of new and second-hand revolvers. My leaders are 22 center fire at \$1.50, 32 and 38 center fire at \$1.75. These guns are all of the Bull-dog pattern and they are all right. I am selling today the 32 and 38 center fire both blue and nickel, 5 and 6 shot rubber handle rifle barrel, fluted cylinder, break down, shell ejector, 4 1/2 inch barrel, Smith & Wesson pattern for \$4. You can have a large stock of Iver Johnson, Harrington & Richardson to select from. And how is that for a leader on guns? Holders for revolvers and cases for guns and rifles, dark lanterns for coon hunters and Newhouse traps for trappers; compasses, boxing gloves, iron and maple dumb bells, punching bags, foot balls, all kinds and sizes, sling shots, billies and knuckles, dog chains, collars and muzzles.

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Seventy-seven solid gold rings, banjos, guitars and violins at 1/3 first cost. Trading men look over my watch stock. I can always stock you up on bargains. I have dealt in fishing, hunting and sporting goods in Benton Harbor for 20 years. I buy cheaper than any other dealer and I will not be undersold. **SECOND-HAND BOOKS WANTED.** I do not handle school books. After November 1st I will pay the best market price for all kinds of raw furs, and remember that I loan money on all kinds of personal property, and I always have about 14 wagon loads of second-hand truck of all kinds for sale. I also cash the time checks of the Crouch Construction company.

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We mean your Husband, Sweet-heart, Brother or Uncle.

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"OLD FOLKS" CONCERT.

will be Given at Conkey's Hall New Year's Eve.

A children "old folks" concert under the directorship of Mrs. F. B. Cary will be given New Year's eve at Conkey's hall for the benefit of the universalist church.

A chorus of fifty voices.

Mandolin, guitar, banjo, violin, piano and vocal solos, duets and trios by world renowned artists.

The minuet will be danced by two New York swells.

A wonderful array of male vocalists. Samantha Allen will be there also the "Gay Old Girl" in song and dance.

Don't miss the fun and come early if you want a seat.

This is one of the "ladies aid" regular monthly entertainments with the ten cents admission.

THE PRIZE DINNER

Mrs. W. C. Hovey of This City Won The Evening News \$5 Prize.

The Reasons that Influenced the Judges in Making their Award.

Bills of Fare without Turkey were not Considered Christmas Dinners.

Race Between Seven Contestants so Close the Judges Could Scarce Decide.

Evening News Prize Christmas Dinner.

Two Dollar Meal for Six Persons by Mrs. W. C. Hovey of Benton Harbor.

..MENU..

POTATOES	ESCALLOPED OYSTERS
CABBAGE SALAD	CELERY
CRANBERRY JELLY	MACARONI AND CHEESE
BREAD	COFFEE
SUET PUDDING	

Cost and How to Prepare the Dinner.

One can tomatoes for soup.....	\$ 10
Three pints milk for soup, escalloped oysters, macaroni and cheese.....	8
Wafers to serve with soup.....	5
Six pound turkey.....	75
Two loaves bread for stuffing and table.....	5
One pint oysters.....	13
One-half pound crackers for escalloped oysters.....	4
Cabbage for salad.....	3
Vinegar for salad.....	1
Two eggs for salad.....	3
Cheese.....	8
Macaroni.....	2
Potatoes.....	3
One pint cranberries for jelly.....	5
One pound butter for seasoning and table.....	20
One pound granulated sugar.....	5
One-half pint cream for coffee.....	5
Coffee.....	5
Suet for pudding.....	2
Raisins for pudding.....	3
Flour for pudding.....	3
Molasses for pudding.....	2
Salt, pepper, spices and one teaspoon of baking powder for pudding.....	5
Celery.....	5
	\$2 00

RECIPE FOR SUET PUDDING.—1/2 cup suet, 1/2 cup raisins, 1/2 cup molasses, 1/2 cup hot water, 1 cup flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon, cloves and nutmeg. SALT.—1/2 cup sugar, 1 cup water, 1 large tablespoon butter, 1 large tablespoon flour, flavor nutmeg.

Mrs. W. C. Hovey, one of the 42 contestants for THE EVENING NEWS \$5 gold prize for the best menu for a Christmas dinner, has been awarded the prize.

Yesterday afternoon Mrs. R. M. Jones, Mrs. J. M. Allmendinger and Mrs. J. T. Owens met at the home of the latter and spent several hours in arriving at a decision. The names of the authors of the various bills of fare were unknown to the judges and one was distinguished from another simply by the number it bore. The papers were numbered from 1 to 42.

The first thing the judges did was to decide that no dinner should take the prize unless it contained a turkey. This decided several excellent menus with allowances for ducks or chickens were cast aside. Some of these were exceptionally well prepared and calculated to make the best fed person hungry, but the rule that a turkey was the proper meat for Christmas barred them out of the race for consideration. The most nearly gotten up bill of fare, bound in book form with the menu on one page, the articles necessary to purchase on the next, and the directions for the preparation of the dishes on following pages, bore the number 1. It was the work of Mrs. F. F. Pratt and the judges wanted this to receive special mention. But it didn't get the prize or come near it. The fatal mistake, was that turkey was spelled "d-u-c-k."

The judges finally reduced the list down to seven as follows: No. 24 (Mrs. W. C. Hovey); No. 41 (Mrs. S. B. Van Horn); No. 2 (Miss Belle Kidd); No. 15 (Mrs. George M. Bell); No. 27 (Mrs. Newton Bush); No. 9 (Mrs. W. D. Downey); No. 19 (Mrs. Angie R. Brooks). It was hard for the judges to decide between the seven, harder than it was for them to pick the seven out of the forty-two. At one time No. 2 (the work of Miss Belle Kidd) was being very favorably considered for first place, but one item of cost, "turkey and dressing 50 cents," staggered the judges. They made a trip down town to see what kind of a turkey could be bought for 50 cents, less the cost of the

dressing. The judges were satisfied that the estimate was too low. No. 15 (Mrs. George M. Bell's) was being very favorably considered until the item "Butter 8 cents" was reached. It was agreed that six ounces of butter was not sufficient for a dinner of the kind proposed. Mrs. Bell estimated the cost of a salad at 18 cents and had she reversed the prices on the butter and salad "it might have been." The remainder of the seven were struggled with in a similar way until No. 24 (Mrs. Hovey's) was reached and in the opinion of the judges this was the most concise description of the best \$2 Christmas dinner for six that could be made.

The exactness of price and the estimates of quantities were the points on which our decision was largely based," said one of the judges last evening. "No. 24 was the only one which contained turkey, oysters and soup."

THE EVENING NEWS will publish the bills of fare furnished by contestants, one each day, and the collection will make a valuable addition to the scrap book of any lady who prides herself on cooking. Many persons declared when this contest started that a Christmas dinner for six persons could not be prepared for \$2 when every small article in composition of the dinner was counted.

All the ladies who have taken a part in the contest will have the satisfaction of knowing that if they didn't get the prize they have helped many a perplexed housewife to see what a variety of good dinners can be prepared at so small a cost.

The following letter announced to Mrs. Hovey that she had won: Benton Harbor, Dec. 21.—Mrs. W. C. Hovey: Enclosed find \$5 gold, the prize awarded you in the Christmas dinner contest.

"They laugh who win," says the Bible or some other book. Please allow THE NEWS, the judges and the 41 unsuccessful contestants to laugh with you.

THE EVENING NEWS. This afternoon, when the prize was sent Mrs. Hovey a more surprised woman never was. She said in surprise, "Why I never expected to get it."

The display in Teetzel & Haydon's windows is changed every day.

Smoke the "Columbia" 5 cent cigar

THE WEATHER.

Partly Cloudy tonight and Wednesday. Brisk north-west winds.

THE FIRST TELEGRAM

The Evening News Sent the First Dispatch Over the New Telegraph Line.

SENT AT 1:56 THIS AFTERNOON

It Invited Roy Mead, The News Buchanan Agent, to the Newsboys' Concert.

THE EVENING NEWS enjoys the proud distinction of sending the first telegram over the new Postal line to Buchanan.

At 1:56 this afternoon Agent L. O. Schaffer sent the following dispatch, the first one to flash over the new wires that run along the Milwaukee, Benton Harbor & Columbus railroad:

Benton Harbor, Dec. 21.—Roy Mead, agent Evening News, Buchanan, Mich. You are invited to attend the grand concert of the Evening News Newsboys' band in this city, December 29. The Evening News.

At 2:02 this afternoon THE NEWS was again fortunate and sent the first message to the Berrien Springs office. It was sent to Lewis Kephart, our Berrien Springs agent, and was a duplicate of the Buchanan dispatch.

TOO CHEAP.

People Wanted the Martin Estate for a Song.

The estate of the late Jane E. Martin, embraces many valuable pieces of property in the city of St. Joseph.

This morning C. M. Van Riper, attorney for Mrs. Martin's heirs held a public sale of the property to pay debts of the deceased in front of the city hall but as the people who bid wanted to purchase valuable property at a ridiculously low figure, only one sale will be confirmed. This sale was the lots known as the old foundry property on Wayne street which was sold to Frank Pixley for \$870. Joseph Burkhard bid in the old homestead at \$2,700 but the sale was not confirmed. Eight lots in Hoyt's addition were bid on but Mr. Van Riper will not allow them to go at the figures offered.

WATCH

THIS SPACE THIS WEEK.....

Holly!

Holly!

Wes'day, Dec. 22

Oranges -	12c
Oranges -	20c
Oranges -	30c
Oranges -	40c

Mixed Candy	5c
P'nut Taffy	15c
Xmas Holly	25c
Winesap Apples	per peck, 35c

Rogers Bros'. Silverware at practically your own price.

C. J. Brown,

The Grocer,

114 East Main St.

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With an always fresh, clean and superior stock of Fresh and Salt Meats, Poultry, Game and Oysters.

See our prices and compare them with what you have been paying.

Rib Roast,	9c	Sausage, home-made,	8c
Roast of Beef,	5c to 8c	Smoked Ham, sliced,	14c
Fresh Side Pork,	7c	Good Bacon,	10c
Pork Steak,	9c	Bologna,	7c
Pork Roasts,	9c	Frankforts,	8c
Spare Ribs,	7c	Pure Lard,	8c.

The finest fresh Bulk Oysters at 30c a quart. Our Meat Market is closed on Sundays. □

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130 Pipestone Street

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Watches, Diamonds, Silverware' Etc.

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...ALL NEXT WEEK

The finest assortment of Banquet, Hanging and Hand Lamps in the city. Will be sold at cost.

FINE CHINA..

Our assortment is new and complete and our prices will enable you to buy two presents with the money you expected to spend for one.

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137 Pipestone Street, Sweet Block..

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Hansen Block, 116 East Main Street.

SPECIAL HOLIDAY SALE.

This will be the greatest shopping week of the year. Everyone is getting ready for a visit from Santa Claus. We are prepared to help Santa Claus select articles for the young and old. Our list comprises:

Muffers, Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Mittens, Dolls, Fancy Boxes, Fancy Bottles, Albums, Baby Bonnets, Baby Cloaks, Feather Boas, Dress Patterns, Jackets, Capes, Blankets, Purses, FASCINATORS, PILLOW SHAMS, Etc.

This is only a partial list of what we have. All will be sold at the lowest prices. You will save money if you will come and look at our goods and buy.

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...was indeed the native train
...species of crab to act as a serv-
...This animal is about the size of a
...One of its claws is nearly as
...as the rest of the body. The crab
...has a fashion of raising this limb in
...such a way as to give the impression
...that it beckons or threatens.

In appearance it is a very formidable
brute, possessing enormous eyes and the
largest of feelers. It takes up its posi-
tion at the front door of the house and
acts in every way as a watchdog and
every bit as faithfully. It is possessed
of wonderful strength, speed and stami-
na, easily overtaking an enemy not pos-
sessed of sprinting powers.

Its instinct is very acute, and it is
rarely at fault in spotting a "wrong
un" who approaches the house with
any evil intention. Woe to the intruder
if he gets into the clutches of the mer-
ciless doorkeeper. It will require a
sledge hammer to extricate him from the
embrace.

This crab is of a very affectionate dis-
position toward members of the house-
hold and plays with children with the
gentleness of an English retriever. It is
highly prized by natives on account of
its usefulness as a house defender and
is very costly to buy.

It has one peculiar rooted objection,
and that is to dining in company. All
endeavors short of starvation seem to
be useless to induce this domestic curi-
osity to dine with the household, as,
for instance, a dog does. It shuns com-
pany when feeding and when given its
food ambles off to the darkest nook to
consume it, returning to the door to re-
new its vigilance.—Strand Magazine.

The Old Soldier.

The pleasantest of talkers is the old
soldier. Always there is meat in his
words, and almost always he is modest.
Between him and the modern is the dif-
ference between the man who has seen
and done and the man who has read
about it. The scenes of the war were so
tremendous and its cataclysms so fre-
quent that time cannot dim their recol-
lection of them. They are still as fresh
in the minds of participants as are the
things of yesterday. A veteran once told
me that not a day passed over his head
that he did not unwittingly recall a
half dozen battles in which he had
borne his part. Thus it is that in any
company of men who were mustered
out in 1865 the talk invariably reverts
to that period.

The old soldiers are dying with in-
creasing frequency, as is the nature of
things, but still there are enough left
to make any gathering notable by their
presence. Charles Lever says that so
long as humanity exists men will do
three things—make war, make love and
gamble—and they can't be legislated
out of them. Certainly, although we be
all advocates of peace, we dearly love a
warrior and we exalt his horn. We love
him for the things he has done, we re-
spect him for his bravery, we look with
veneration upon his wooden leg, and we
listen with pleasure to his repeated tales
of suffering and daring.—Chicago
Times-Herald.

Iron In the System.

Walker was one of those who do not
believe in doctors, and he never lost an
opportunity of having a dig at them.
When he was brought home in a cab
with a broken leg and the medical man
and to be sent for, Walker was much
humiliated.

"Rather serious," said the man of
physic and fees, "but you'll go on if
I take care. I'll send you an iron
bic."

"Don't want it!" exclaimed the pa-
tient shortly. "Iron is no good."

"Excuse me," returned the doctor
lightly, "iron is good for the system."

And as Walker doggedly repeated his
objection he continued with some
warmth: "It is beyond all question, sir,
whatever way iron enters the body
is good, and it is a mistaken notion
say that it makes a man irritable."

"I beg to differ most emphatically,"
retorted Walker desperately, finding
himself driven into a corner for an ar-
gument. "I say it causes irritability
and therefore isn't good, and if you
want proof just you sit down on the
business end of a tack."

And he fell back in bed with a look
of triumph.—Pearson's Weekly.

He Knew Him.

Several travelers were waiting for a
train on the veranda of a southwest
Georgia hotel. It was a dismal, rainy
day, and one of them remarked:

"This reminds me of one of Longfel-
low's poems, 'The Day Is Done.'"

At the mention of the name Longfel-
low a tall stranger leaned forward and
said:

"Longfellow? What do you know
about him?"

"Little," replied the first speaker,
except that he wrote books."

"An is he a writin' of books?" asked
the tall man. "Why, the last time I
heard of him he wuz runnin' fer sheriff
makin' of stump speeches."

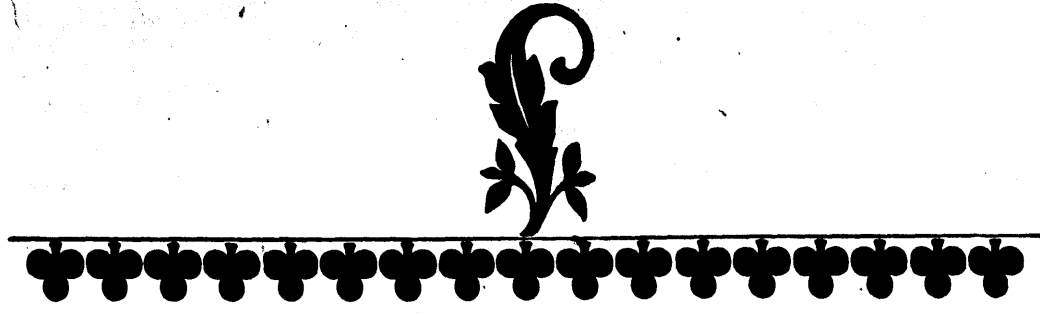
"I fear you are mistaken in the man,"
said the first speaker, laughing.

"Not me," replied the tall man.
"You? I know him? Bill Longfellow—
a squint in one eye an a cut over
the other. An jest ter think—the durn-
fool's took ter writin'."—Atlanta
Constitution.

Five Emeralds.

Portes obtained in Mexico five em-
eralds of wonderful size and beauty.
One was like a rose, another in the
shape of a horn, a third in that of a
leaf, with diamond eyes, a fourth like a
pearl, with a pearl for a clapper; the
fifth was a cup, with a foot of gold and
four little chains, each ended with
a pearl. He had also two emerald
necklaces worth 800,000 crowns each.

Five cases out of ten of ordinary colds
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bath and drinking a glass of hot
beverage immediately before going to
bed.



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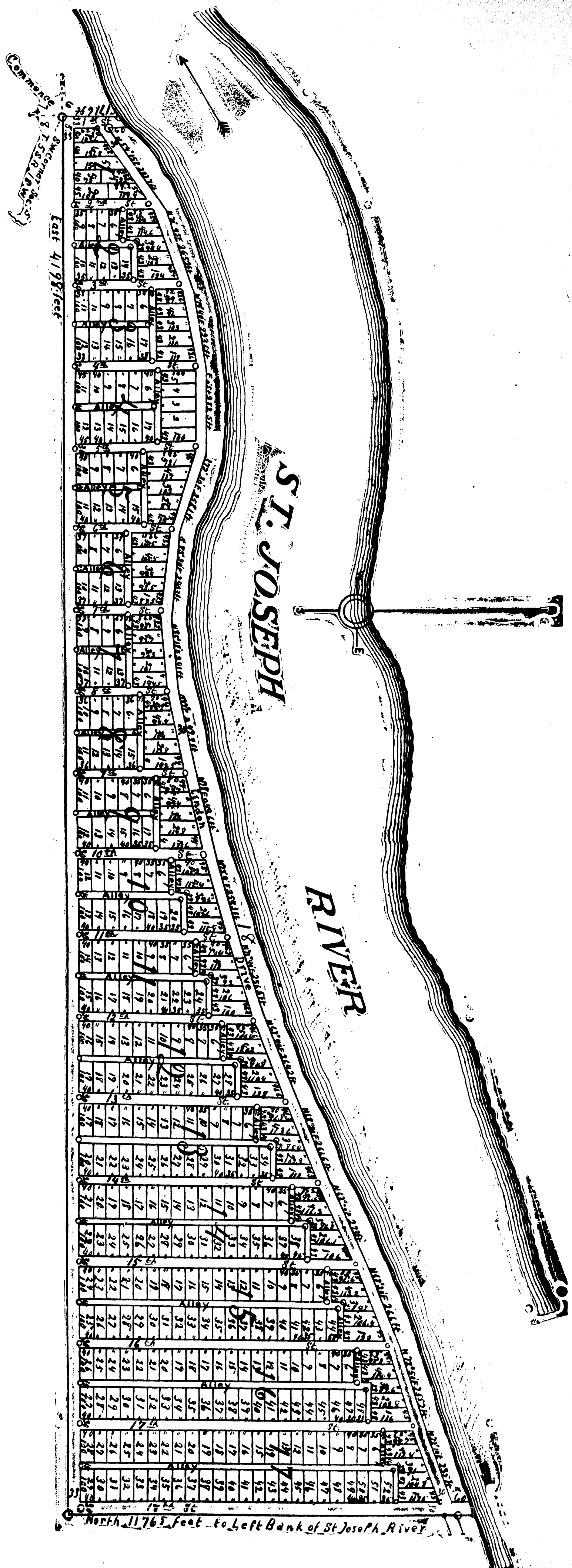
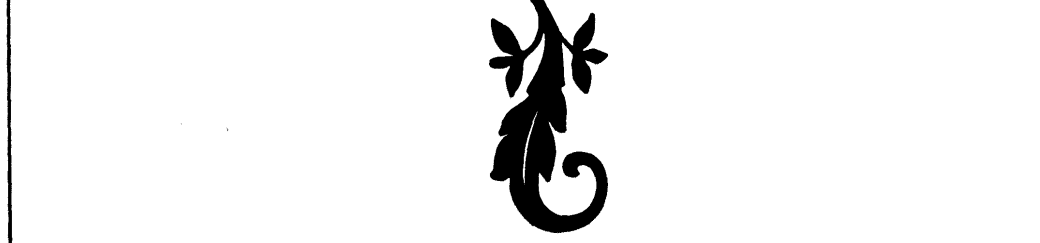
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Children's, Misses' and Boys' Vests and Pants, sizes 16 to 34, from 11c to 30c.
Children's, Misses and Boys' Merino Vests and Pants, sizes 16 to 34, from 10c to 30c.
Boys' Heavy Fleeced, all sizes, 25c.
Children's, Misses' and Boys' strictly all wool Vests and Pants, all sizes, 18c to 60c.
Ladies' fleeced lined Vests and Pants, 25c, 35c, 50c.
Ladies' fine ribbed all wool, 85c and \$1.00.
Ladies' extra weight, all wool flat goods, \$1.00 and \$1.25.
Ladies' extra weight, all wool scarlet goods, \$1.00.
Ladies' Union suits, fleeced lined, 25c, 50c, \$1.00.
Ladies' Union suits, half wool, \$1.00.
Ladies' Union suits, Oneida, all wool, \$1.40 to \$3.00.
Ladies' equestrienne tights, all wool, black, \$1.00 and \$1.40.
Men's heavy merino, camel hair and natural random, at 25c.
The best fleeced lined in the market, 50c.
Heavy camel's hair, 69c.
Swiss-Conde, best made, \$1.00.
Outing flannels, 8c, worth 10c.

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Rock Candy drip syrup, per gal.	20c	1 can Tomatoes.....	07
19 lb G Sugar.....	\$1.00	1 large bottle catsup.....	10
1 lb package corn starch.....	05	1 lb of coconut.....	15
Large bottle blueing.....	03	One half pound coconut.....	10
1 pkg white chip soap.....	05	1 pound Bakers chocolate.....	17
1 sack salt.....	03	1 package sweet chocolate.....	07
12 bars soap.....	25	Oat meal per package.....	08
Salt pork per pound.....	05	8 pounds of best oat meal.....	25
6 bars Ivory soap.....	25	1 gal oil can with wood jacket.....	10
1 lb crackers.....	05	1 lb Sal Soda.....	02
1 lb good coffee.....	10	1 lb Rice.....	05
1 lb of 50c tea for.....	33	1 pkg Arm & Hammer Saleratus.....	05
1 lb can Salmon.....	10	All kinds of pure spices, Cinnamon,	
1 lb Raisins.....	06	Allspice, Cloves, Pepper, Mustard in	
1 lb of 60c tea for.....	45	pound lots.....	25
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Deep drap, deep drap, in a night without a mune.
Deep drap, deep drap—it draps a lo'ed life dune.
I sat an shiver by myself—God send the daylight sun!
—Nimmo Christie in Black and White.

HERE SUSANNE.

When I first saw her, she was standing in her cottage doorway, leaning both hands on her stick. The sunset was on her face, glorifying the cottage windows and the little garden, and there was a noise of singing birds about her. Her eyes were turned westward. She was a little old woman, with gray hair and a small, determined face. Her lips were thin and her eyes bright and deep set, with penthouse brows.

I lingered, wondering a little. From inside the cottage there came the continual cheep cheep and twitter of birds. There were cages hung up outside near the door, and one even on the doorstep. The old woman looked straight across the flat fields to the sunset. She had a colorless wrap about her head, and she wore a colorless dress and a blue apron. The sunset glorified them all.

I thought she did not see me, but as I went by she called to me, and I turned back. She came down to the little gate and said, "Monsieur is a stranger?"

"Yes, madame."

"And he has traveled perhaps?"

"In many lands."

"Has he ever met a tall lad, a soldier, very fair and handsome, with blue eyes?"

"I have met many soldiers, madame."

"But this one! Think, monsieur," she urged. "You could never have forgotten him. His hair was like the sky yonder"—she pointed to the ruined gold of the sunset—"and his eyes danced, danced always. He was always merry."

"I am very sorry, madame, I do not remember him."

She seemed a little saddened and was turning away when I said, "You keep many singing birds, madame?"

"They call me Mere Susanne," she said. "Come in, monsieur, if you will, and see them."

The cottage was two roomed—one room where she lived and slept; I learned afterward that the other was a shrine—empty—where she went to pray when her heart and hope were numb.

The little kitchen was filled with birds in cages. She had to put one on the floor to offer me a seat. As for herself she sat down on a stool in the midst of them. Then she took up the cage from the floor on to her knee, and, putting in her hand, captured the songster. It was a chaffinch. She stroked its wings and laid it against her face. It did not try to escape, but nestled contentedly against the wrinkled cheek.

"It knows you," I said.

She gave a contented little laugh.

"They all do. But I won't need them when he comes home."

"Who is he?"

"He—my boy that I told you of. Some of them used to say he would never come back when they thought I didn't hear them. But I know."

The twilight was closing in. A gradual hush had crept over the linnets and finches, the canaries and the rest. She put back the bird into its cage and rose; I too. She did not ask me to go again. I went out into the little garden and the twilight and continued my walk; but, returning home the same way, I heard a strange sound through the spring darkness. It was Mere Susanne crouched up by the garden paling, crying to herself.

A few days later I came across her in the fields. She was plucking dandelion and herbs for salad and groundsel for birds. She told me that she went about selling them to those of the neighbors who had no time to come and look for their own.

The new green was springing up around us. The sky was blue. A spring wind wandered about and blew apart the old woman's hair on her forehead as she worked.

"You leave your birds alone all day?" I said.

"Yes," she answered, "but I hear them singing all the same."

"How, then, since your cottage is not near here?"

"How do I know?" she said, straightening herself. "It gets plainer and plainer as I go home in the evenings, and when I get in at the gate they all begin together." She stooped down again, smiling. "It's almost like having a child waiting for one," she said, but not to me.

I thought of her that evening when, looking out of my window, I saw that the sky in the west had turned primrose. I saw her trudging home with the light on her face and the singing of her birds in her ears growing nearer and nearer, until at last she turned in at the little gate.

Often after that I met her in the fields or going her rounds in the village. Sometimes when I saw her talking with the neighbors I fancied that the glamour of a spring evening had worked a spell and that after all there was nothing uncommon or evil about her, and then I remembered the eyes that had watched the sunset and the strange sound heard through the spring darkness.

If in the daytime I chanced to pass



her cottage, which stood alone among the sad, cultivated fields, I heard her birds singing and chirping ceaselessly. "Monsieur," she said to me once, "when I am dead they will stop singing."

She went early to work in the mornings, giving them fresh food and water before starting. Often she went far afield for herbs. Once I met her coming home slowly and heavily, leaning on her stick. Dusk had fallen, and the east was growing tender for the moonrise.

She asked me in that evening. I noticed that she moved about feebly, as though she were tired out, and at last she sat down and was silent.

"Mere Susanne," I said suddenly, "when is your boy coming back? How long has he been away?"

By the movement she made I knew that she raised her head, for we were in darkness.

"Monsieur," she said, "he may come any day. Every night I say to myself, 'Perhaps he will come tomorrow, maybe before I am up, or he will meet me coming home in the evening.'"

"Why does he delay, Mere Susanne?"

Her fingers grew restless and plucked at her apron. "I cannot tell, monsieur. But it is not long since he went—only a little while ago."

"When did he go, Mere Susanne, and why? You have never told me. When was it?"

"It was during the war, monsieur. I do not know how long ago; I have no memory, but only a little while since. Monsieur will know. He went to fight."

Then at last I began to understand. It was 20 years since her boy had gone. She would not have known him now. He was a tall lad, fair and handsome, and blue eyed to her still, and she was waiting for him to come back from a battlefield which the plow had turned up a score of times since that last battle had been fought.

The little room and the darkness seemed to me to grow very sad. At times came a twitter from a sleepless bird, and then the moonlight stole in and found us. Mere Susanne rose up. "See, monsieur," she said, "I will show you his room." And she took me into the other chamber. It was very bare and spotless, and the white moonlight was glorifying it—nay, was hallowing it; for it was a shrine. There was nothing in it except a chair and a chest of drawers and the bed against the wall. The moonlight was streaming on to the pillow where should have been lying the head that had slept since on another bed of honor.

Mere Susanne stole up and kissed it, and then, kneeling, laid her own head there. And I stumbled out into the little garden and the soft moonshine and shadow, not seeing where I went.

Sometimes I fancy that her boy came home; that some early summer twilight he met her returning from the fields and came back with her through the little gate and into the cottage, his arm about her shoulders and she looking up at his face with pride and peace in hers.

Was it so, I wonder? I like to think that it was. For one morning when I passed by the little cottage stood with open door in the early sunlight. And the birds had stopped singing.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

A German Cyclist's Brake.

"We Americans traveling abroad are apt to be very proud of our reputation for cleverness," said a tourist who went bicycling in Europe last summer. "And no doubt we have reason to be. But I am going to tell you how I had some of the conceit taken out of me."

"We were going through Switzerland and had reached the close of the first day's descent toward Geneva. The road had been too steep to coast without the aid of a brake, and as we were afraid to use our brakes for fear our tires would not last us through our trip we back pedaled all the way."

"As we were sitting after supper on the veranda of the lodge discussing the fatigue of our unusual exercise and dreading the morrow, which meant more of the same sort, our attention was suddenly called to a cloud of dust descending the mountain side. Then we saw a cyclist, coasting as nice as you please, towing a good sized sapling by a rope tied to the rear of his wheel, which acted as an effective brake without injury to the tires. One of the boys ejaculated, 'Well, why didn't we think of that?' The rest were simply dumb. That man was a German. I now take off my hat to our German brethren of the wheel."—New York Sun.

Wallace Bros. are giving two bicycles away.

A Merry Christmas for Everybody

AT

The White House Store

Only 4 more days to close out our entire stock of useful HOLIDAY GOODS. We carry a tremendous stock this year and the goods must go at some price this week, so be on hand and enjoy the fun. We are bound not to carry over any Holiday Goods this year, if prices will do it. A few of the many things we carry: Silk Mufflers, Handkerchiefs, Hoods, Fascinators, Shawls, Silk Skirts, Albums, Gloves, Mittens, Muffs and Boas, Curtains, Table and Stand Covers, Underwear, Sweaters, Cloaks, Jackets and Capes, Fur Collarets, Wrappers, Wool Shirt Waists, Night Gowns, Mackintoshes, Suits, Overcoats, Ulsters, Neckwear, Caps, Umbrellas, Rugs, Mats, Dress Goods, Silks, etc.

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The Bondman, Hall Caine.
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The Decemster, "
The Christian, "
Prisoner of Zenda, Anthony Hope.
A House Boat on the Styx, Bangs.
A Lady of Quality, Francis Hodgson Burnett.
Sentimental Tommy, J. M. Barrie.
The Pursuit of the House Boat, Bangs.
Les Miserables, Hugo.
Sir George Tressady, Mrs. Humphrey Ward.
Corleone, F. Marion Crawford.
The Quest of the Golden Girl, Richard Le Gallienne.
Quo. Vadis, Jeremiah Curtin.

Timothy's Quest, Kate Douglas Wiggin.
A Rose of Yesterday, F. Marion Crawford.
A Singular Life, Elizabeth Stuart Phelps.
Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush, Ian MacLaren.
The Old Infant and Similar Stories, Will Carleton.
Three Partners, Bret Harte.
Soldiers of Fortune, Richard Harding Davis.
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DISPOSED OF

City Council Use \$15,000 of the Street Improvement Bonds to Good Purpose.

BUYS LAND FOR CANAL BRIDGE

A Little Objection Because the Bonds Did Not Pass Through the Treasurer's Hands.

After the routine business of the council had been transacted last evening a recess of an hour was taken and the council went into an unofficial secret session with the officials of the Milwaukee, Benton Harbor & Columbus road. At 12:30 the council reassembled and voted to deliver to J. McGregor Adams of Chicago, one of the capitalists of the road, in consideration of a deed of the piece of land on which the canal bridge swings, valued at \$10,000, and for bridging Ox creek at both Main and Territorial streets, and for street repairs, work to the value of \$5,000.

The vote was unanimous, with the exception of the vote of Alderman McDonald. He favored the deal but his objection was based on the ground that the bonds ought to be sold and the cash pass through the hands of the treasurer.

As Mr. Adams was willing to take all risks on the bonds the resolution instructing Mayor Bell to deliver the bonds carried and the bonds were very soon in the hands of Mr. Adams and hours ago they have found their way into the third hands.

The strip of land purchased has involved the city into several lawsuits and the bargain is a good one. The city owns the canal bridge but has no land on which to tow it. It has already suffered several damage suits.

The property on the north side of the bridge is no longer in danger of being cut off from communication with the city as by the purchase the city now really owns the land it has been occupying as a trespasser.

Leave orders for one of those extra fine five pound boxes of mixed bon bon and chocolate. Christmas prices \$1.25
EDGAR NICHOLS.

HAD A BANQUET.

Ivy Leaf Camp, Modern Woodmen Celebrated Last Night.

Ivy Leaf camp, Modern Woodmen, of this city, had a blow-out in their hall last night at which time they entertained visitors from Eau Claire, St. Joseph and Buchanan.

The regular lodge meeting was held and three new members were initiated into the order after which the tables were spread and a genuine old fashioned oyster supper was enjoyed.

F. M. Van Horn acted as toastmaster of the occasion and speeches were made by W. C. Hicks, George Cunningham and others.

The Modern Woodmen lodge is rapidly increasing in numbers in this city and some of the members claim that in 10 years the order will have the largest membership of any secret organization.

Attention, Ladies of G. A. R.

The next meeting of Henry C. Rowe circle, ladies of the G. A. R., will be held Wednesday afternoon, at 2 p. m. sharp. Let every member be present as it will be the annual election of officers. By order of
ELLEN D. PLUMMER, President.
NELLIE L. WARD, Secretary.

CHRISTMAS LINE UP.

High School Boys Who Run Up Against Twin City Team.

The line up of the two teams, which will play the final game of the season next Saturday afternoon on the old foot ball grounds on Empire and Colfax avenues, will be as follows with the respective weights of each player:

High School	Twin City
Center	Shaiman 156
R. G.	Niles 163
L. G.	Woodruff 173
R. T.	Ward 168
L. T.	Wright 155
R. E.	Busby 145
L. E.	Russell 155
Q. B.	Bisbee 130
R. H. B.	Carlisle 161
L. H. B.	Correll 175
F. B.	Chapman 148
Subs—Barryon, Clausner	Grow and Shepard

THE FAVORITE GAME.

A Little Rough, but a Good Test of American Endurance.

Football has grown in favor in America until today it occupies a most prominent place in athletic sports.

Twenty-five thousand people recently witnessed the game at New Haven between Yale and Princeton.

The work is tremendous and requires young men of powerful physique and good strong hearts and lungs.

The trainers quite universally forbid the use of coffee because of its effect on the heart.

A majority of the best and most careful trainers are pronounced in their recommendations of Postum Food Coffee because it gives the athlete a warm, delicious beverage and better than that, it supplies in liquid form the selected food elements, which nature uses to build in nerve and muscle.

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Royalton, Warren, Will Come the Soldiers to this City.

The Milwaukee, Benton Harbor & Columbus railway company has ordered the material necessary for the approaches to the new steel bridge across the St. Joseph river and teams will be crossing the bridge in sixty days. This bridge will be the equivalent of adding 500 population to the city.

THE INDIANS.

Alleged Effort to Cheat Them Out of Chicago Property.

Brace Knapp, a son-in-law of Chief Pokagon, has just returned from Dowagiac where he discovered an alleged scheme to beat the band of Indians out of their Chicago property.

Mr. Knapp says that Chicago parties interested in getting possession of the Indians' claims have sent a lawyer to Dowagiac ostensibly to locate, but really to trap the band into giving up their rights to the property in Chicago. He says the rich people of Dowagiac are helping him and that they are succeeding in pulling the wool over the eyes of many members of the band.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

What Benton Harbor's People and Societies Are Doing.

The Tribe of Ben Hur elected officers last evening for the ensuing year with the following results: Chief, Earl Hemingway; judge, A. O. Jeffries; teacher, Henry Null; scribe, Mabel Geer; keeper of tribute, Ray Ayers; captain, Ira Hemingway; guide, Grace Geer; keeper of inner gate, W. B. Smith; keeper of outer gate, George Stretch.

Mrs. G. G. Mull and children left this morning for Greensburg, Ind., where they will spend six week visiting relatives and friends.

Don't fail to hear Marion Barton, the child violinist, and Master Willie Ludlow, the boy soprano, with the Newsboys' band concert one week from tomorrow night.

Miss Blanche Alden, of Chicago, is the guest of relatives and friends here.

Miss Saidie Edwards, a young lady of this city, who for some time past been a clerk in the New York store, will leave this city tomorrow for Lowell, Mass., where she will be united in marriage Christmas day with R. G. Simpson, a business man of that city. Miss Edwards' many friends here will wish her much happiness.

James Brennan left yesterday for Butte City, Mont., where he has secured a position for the winter.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Church of God will meet with Mrs. M. Cutler, 183 Superior street, Thursday afternoon. Old clothes will be thankfully received which will be made over for poor children.

The U. O. G. C. will elect officers at their regular meeting tonight.

George Anderson went to Eau Claire this afternoon.

A. J. Ridenour of Eau Claire is in the city today.

G. M. Powell and wife went to Graysville, Tenn., this morning over the Big Four.

Teetzel & Haydon, the jewelers, offer bargains in holiday goods.

Smoke "Our Congressman," 5 cents each. 670c26

The Enterprise laundry is now ready for business. Try them for fine work. 16003

Those wishing photos for Christmas should come early and avoid the rush at A. D. Lacy's. 11

Meat and Drink in Old England.

According to Chaucer, the more well to do of the working classes evidently spent a vast deal of time at the public house, eating and drinking, telling idle tales, playing at skittles when the weather was fine, singing rhymes of "Robin Hood," or listening to fiddlers and pipers or to glaucen and janglers of jests—that is to say, ballad singers and professional story tellers. At high prime—the hour in the middle of the forenoon when agricultural work broke off, as it still does, for a brief rest and slight meal—Langland speaks of the plowmen standing idle in the field while the plowmen sit at the ale and sing "How trolly lolly." The cook comes out to the tavern door and cries, "Hot pies, hot!" and the alewife fills pots of half and half by pouring penny ale and pudding ale together. Indoors there is plenty of food in great variety for such as can afford it—bread and broth, pots of boiled peas and beans, pieces of salt bacon, stewed fowls, fried fish, baked meat, green cheese, curds and cream and baked apples.

Poorer people had to be content with half penny ale and bread not made of clean wheat, but of oatmeal or beans and bran. Idlers are threatened that they "shall eat of barley bread and of the brook drink," but it would seem that water drinking, except under some religious rule, was not common even among the poor, who drank milk and mean ale—I suppose the same as what Langland elsewhere calls farthing ale, and not much more than water with a taste in it. In the profuse use of vegetables the English of the fourteenth century were like the modern French peasantry. All through summer, till Lammas tide brought harvest to the croft and new corn came to cheaping, occasional fowls and bacon were the mere embroidery upon the peas, leeks, cabbages, onions, parsley and beans which, together with the coarse bread and the abundant milk and cheese, were the staple of poor people's diet.—Cornhill Magazine.

Mrs. R. L. Hocking, who recently received a serious fall at the Hotel Whitcomb, is improving and her speedy recovery is hoped for.

Capt. Robert Evans has arrived in St. Joseph to spend the winter, having laid up his steamer for the winter. The public schools will close Friday for one week's vacation.

Miss Alice Hamlin will leave this week to spend Christmas at her home in Albion.

Miss Blanche Williams will leave Friday for her home at Edwardsburg to spend Christmas with her parents.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

Marcus Calder, a native of Scotland and a subject of the Queen of England has declared his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States. He filed the papers with County Clerk Needham today.

The county offices will be closed next Saturday.

Fourteen prisoners are now confined in the county jail. Sheriff Ferguson is making great preparations for their Christmas dinner.

Circuit court will be in session January 5 at which time the case of the Big Four railway company vs the city of Benton Harbor will come up.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

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Remember Hollis & Son will never be undersold. Get the lowest price on any article and we will discount it. These are close times and we know it.

Bicycles are going at cost at Burkhard's this week. 633tf

Joe Hansen, the tailor, offers a special good bargain in an all wool, heavy weight, imported clays worsted suit for only \$22. Call and see them.



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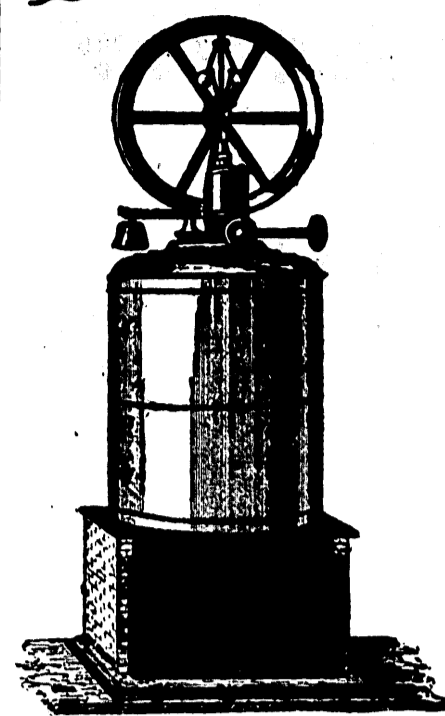


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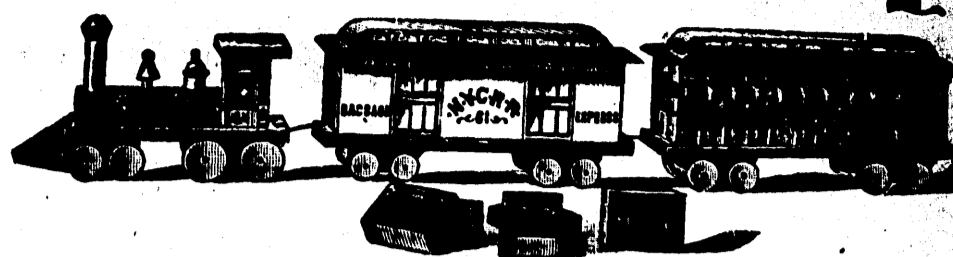
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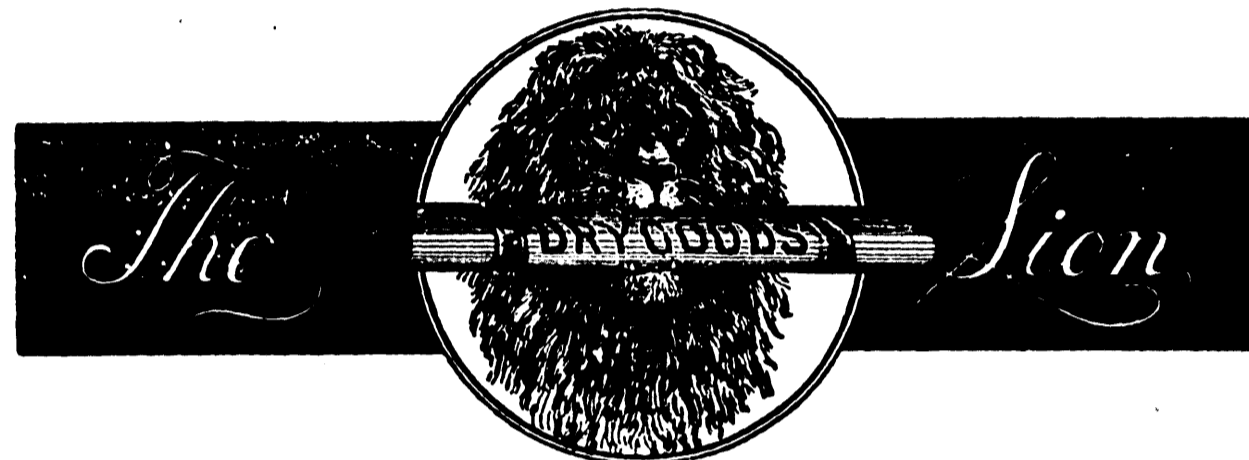
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Comes hurrying on the run
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MORE STREET LIGHTS

Council Committee Make a Report for a Wholesale Increase in the Use of Electricity.

WANT NINE EXTRA ARC LAMPS.

And Recommend That a Three Year's Contract Be Made With the Electric Light Co.

One of the features of the meeting of the common council last evening was the report of the committee on electric lights, made by Alderman Samuel Brown. The report recommended the placing of nine new arc lights in the city at the following places: At the corner of Eighth and Elm streets, at Colfax and Harrison, at Broadway and Britain, at Jefferson and High, East Main and Fourth, two on West Main street, one on Lake Shore drive and one on Morton avenue near the college. Alderman Volheim, a member of the lighting committee, vigorously protested against the report, for he as a member of the committee had been ignored.

Alderman S. Brown recommended that the city make a three years' contract with the St. Joseph & Benton Harbor electric light company for 33 arc lights at an annual expense of \$80 per year per light. The city now pays \$88 per year for 24 lights, and the 33 lights under the proposed contract would cost \$528 per year more than the amount paid at present. The city is now paying for electricity \$2,112 per year and under the proposed contract would pay \$2,440. The report of the committee was accepted but action was deferred on the recommendation.

Alderman Volheim and Rowe argued against the advisability of making a three year's contract when every year the price of electric lighting was rapidly decreasing. The matter will be struggled with later on. As an inducement to the city to make a three year's contract the electric company offered to put up a light on the river bridge free of expense if the contract for 33 lights at \$2,440 per year for three years was made.

The people in the vicinity of Edwards avenue on Morton hill showed their modesty by asking the council to put up oil lamps in that section, the citizens offering to keep the lamps trimmed and lighted.

The sum of \$50 was voted Attorney Charles N. Sears to go to Lansing to fight the Tatman case against the city.

The resignation of W. A. Clauser as a member of Wide Awake Hose company was accepted. Mayor Bell filled the vacancy by the appointment of L. D. Sheffield as a member of the company and E. Startsel as assistant second chief.

Cit. Attorney Ellsworth reported that there was no statute providing for the control of children on the streets, unless they became disorderly, and that a curfew ordinance would only be a bluff and he was opposed to working bluff legislation. There might be some good accomplished along this line by instructing the police force to break up the resorts for children. The report of the attorney was accepted and the curfew law was put away in its little grave.

S. Warner was present to enter objection to the sewer assessment of Mrs. Thomas Spire's. Her assessment was reduced from \$12 to \$3. L. W. Cloudfelter also made a kick. His assessment was \$3 and his kick availed him nothing. The sewer assessment of H. Merry was reduced from \$7.50 to \$3. This was to make things uniform though Mr. Merry never asked for a reduction.

The Buchanan bills in the Showalter case were rejected.

The following bills were allowed: J. Bell Hose company, \$30.80; Hose company, No. 3, \$95.75; W. A. Clauser, second assistant chief, \$10; Charles Johnson, fire chief, \$80; Wide Awake Hose company, \$132.57; Charles W. Hall, rent of land for Wide Awake Hose house, \$25.

Attention, Ladies of G. A. B.

The next meeting of Henry C. Rowe circle, ladies of the G. A. B., will be held Wednesday afternoon, at 2 p. m. sharp. Let every member be present as it will be the annual election of officers. By order of ELLEN D. PLUMMER, President. NELLIE L. WARD, Secretary.

Have glasses fitted by Dr. Antisdale.

OLD SANTA CLAUS.

HE VISITED THE COUNCIL CHAMBER LAST NIGHT.

Mayor Bell and the Members of the Common Council Voted Themselves Their Year's Salary.

At the council meeting last night the mayor and common council voted themselves their annual salary, the municipality sum of \$50 each, or \$450 for the work of the council and the mayor for the entire year.

Last night at 10 o'clock Old Santa Claus came down the chimney of the city hall and saw nine stockings in a row. The first he came to was a silken hose and bore the name, "The Mayor." In this Old Santa dropped three yellow coins—two were \$20 and one was \$10. The next sock was a large sweetsmelling one as though no foot had ever been in it. The name it bore was Alderman Ward. In this fell \$50 in gold. The socks of Aldermen Volheim, Butzbach, Cole, Rowe, and the two Aldermen Brown were visited in a like fashion. The last stocking in the row looked different from the others. The other eight already filled and passed were ochre colored, while the ninth and last was white, both foot and leg. It bore something which puzzled the eyes of Old Santa Claus. At first glance it looked like "16 to 1." The long whiskered old man adjusted his spectacles and combed the ice from his eyebrows, and then he could read, "McDonald." Old Santa whistled and gasped, "I thought that silver was dead and is this its ghost?" Regaining himself, Old Santa whistled and a freight train came rumbling down the chimney and stopped before him.

He began unloading the train and taking the silver dollars off the cars. He kept at work until fifty of them had been dropped into the alderman's sock. Finis!

Advertised Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in this office for the week ending December 21, 1897:

Brown, Mrs. Lizzie	Hawkins, Miss Ruth
Brown, Miss J.	Lynn, Miss Bernice
Buster, Miss	Osborn, Mrs. Flora
Chain, Lulu	Ryan, Mrs. Libbie
Gardner, Miss Angie	Scherer, Miss Cora
Andrews, Rev H C	ENTIREMEN
Ranco, Willie	Nelson, Mr J
Benton Harbor Hard-	Pope, Lorenzo D
Brown, A. J. (Ware Co)	Rutze, F D
Clark, K. F.	Schultz, Mr August
Carmely, E C	Smith, John
Carvey, Mr John	Tucker, Mr J
Hulem, Mr Albert	Van Valen, B M
Mooney, Mr Wm	Woodruff, W J
Morrell, Mr D	Wilson, Mr Frank

When calling for these letters please say "advertised."

H. R. HUNTINGTON, P. M.

Teeth and Eyesight.

It is not a generally understood fact that the condition of the teeth has much to do with the health, beauty and usefulness of the eyes. That an ulcerated tooth will often cause extreme inflammation of the eyes is true, and a case is reported of almost total blindness caused by the teeth crowding together. A half grown boy, who had complained of almost incessant uneasiness in his jaws and had been visited with periodical attacks of the most violent toothache, retired one night in his usual condition, but upon awakening the next morning it was discovered that he was blind. The eyes presented a most unnatural appearance and the countenance was strained and distressed. After a good deal of investigation it was decided to remove some of his teeth and see if this would afford relief. Six teeth were extracted and the boy was given sedative treatment. After a few days the sight became normal and there has been no return of the difficulty. Children who appear to have too many teeth should be carefully looked after, especially if they complain of their eyes in any way. Sometimes the symptoms are only secondary, but an acute diagnostician will speedily detect the exact state of the case.—New York Ledger.

GETTING READY.

The S. C. Zombro Lumber Co., Are Making Extensive Repairs.

The S. C. Zombro Lumber company, have closed down their mill until after the holidays and have shipped their engine to Indianapolis where it will be rebuilt. A new foundation for the engine has been put in and the machinery is being put in first-class condition.

F. B. Christopher, manager of the company says the outlook is very bright for a busy season the coming year and they wish to be in a condition to handle all of the business.

ON THE ROAD.

Oria E. Jennings Will be a Knight of the Grip January 1.

Oria E. Jennings, who has been connected in the hardware business of this city for the past nine years, the last five years of which he has been head salesman in the store of Chester C. Sweet, has resigned his position, his resignation to take effect January 1.

Mr. Jennings will represent the Eclipse Stove company, of Mansfield, Ohio, in this state and that the firm has made a good selection in their man there can be no doubt.

His many friends here wish him success in his new business.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has E. B. P. on each tablet.

CHARLES TALBOT DEAD.

The Young Man Died at His Home at 8 O'clock Last Night.

Charles Talbot, aged 22 years, son of Andrew Talbot, this city, died at his home, 211 Ogden avenue at 8 o'clock last night.

Mr. Talbot has been ill some time with stomach trouble but his friends and family did not suppose it would cause his death. He was a very bright and talented young man and has many friends who will mourn his demise.

The funeral will be held from the St. John's church at 9 o'clock. Interment in Crystal Springs cemetery.

Hail Death with Joy.—"I was a great sufferer from Heart Disease. The disease was so great I was confined to bed for days. I often thought I could hail death with joy. No physician could give me relief. I procured a bottle of Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart, the first dose gave me almost instant relief. I have taken four bottles. I never felt better in my life."—Mrs. Margaret Smith, Brussels, Ont. Sold by Geo. M. Bell & Co.—73.

We are going to move and want money not goods. Now is the time to buy. TETZEL & HAYDON.

Leave orders for one of those extra fine five pound boxes of mixed bon bon and chocolate. Christmas prices, \$1.25. EDGAR NICHOLS.

See Wallace Bros., 110 Pipestone street, for skates. t672

Get one of those \$15 suits of Joe Hansen, the tailor, he guarantees them to give perfect satisfaction.

Hear Marion Barton, the child wonder violinist, with the Newsboys' band concert at the M. E. church, Wednesday evening, December 29.

Eight day clocks at Hollis & Son's at \$2.50 till the 25th of December. All warranted.

Wallace Bros.' candy maker makes fresh taffy every day. t672

Nothing more suitable for a Christmas gift than an attractive picture. Call and see Judson E. Rice's, 154 Pipestone street.

Teacher—Who framed the constitution of the United States? Class—(in chorus) Judson E. Rice.

Holiday Excursions Via vandalia Line. For the holidays the Vandalia line will sell excursion tickets at reduced fares from all stations, to local points on its own line, and also to points on connecting lines. For full particulars call on nearest Vandalia line ticket agent or address E. A. FORD, General passenger agent, St. Louis, Mo.

T. F. Anthony, Ex-Postmaster, of Promise City, Iowa, says: "I bought one bottle of 'Mystic Cure' for Rheumatism, and two doses of it did me more good than any medicine I ever took." Sold by G. M. Bell & Co., Druggists, Benton Harbor, 103 Main street.

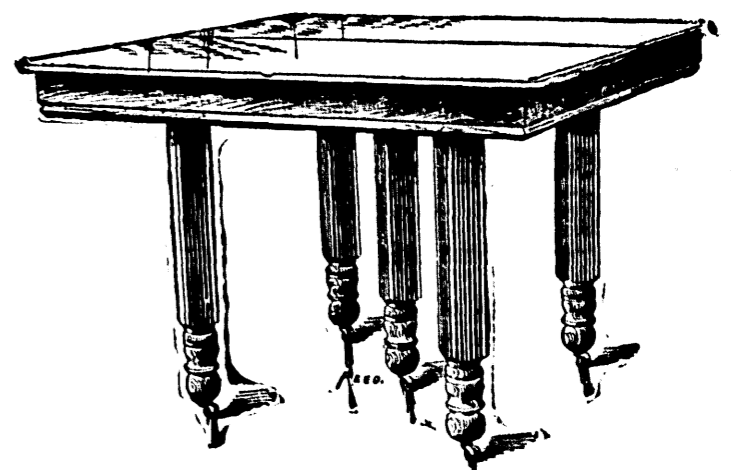
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Crowds of People... Throng Our Store Daily. And Why Not?

Not being able to visit "King Solomon's Temple," it's the next best thing to do.

"It's not in mortals to COMMAND success, but we'll do more, sempronius, we'll deserve it."—ADDISON.



..Our Magnificent and Unparalleled Array of..

Rockers, Chairs, Tables, Couches, Book Cases, Escritories, Lamps, Toilet Sets, Rugs, etc..

Combined with the lowest prices on record, speak volumes of eloquence, more beseeching to the economist, more bewitching to the undecided than anything that could be said by all the silver tongued salesmen in Christendom.

Our Line of Christmas Goods..

this year is most complete, complimented, sought after, talked about and purchased by all who visit our elegant display.

Please do not leave our store without being waited on.

107 E. Main St. **C. J. PECK** Benton Harbor.

Satisfy your wants

AT.....

BRADFORD'S ...BAZAAR

Headquarters for..... Christmas Presents

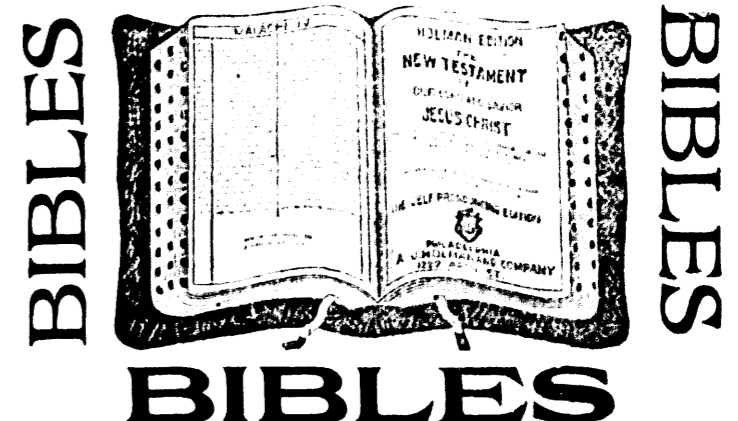
From the oldest to the youngest

Come and see the pretty things.

BRADFORD'S BAZAAR

Next to Evening News office

BIBLES



200 Bibles just received direct from the publishers. Now is the time to pick out your Bible and have it laid away for Christmas.

Special Prices Given to Sunday School Teachers. Call and look them over.

J. A. SHEFFIELD & SON DRUGGISTS AND BOOKSELLERS. 115 PIPESTONE STREET

The Weather Has Changed CALL ON THE **UNION ICE & COAL COMPANY** For your winter's supply of **COAL** Lehigh Valley, Anthracite and all kinds of Soft Coal. Hard and Soft Wood Always on Hand.

LEAVE ORDERS AT A. H. CONKEY & SON'S GROCERY STORE. Telephone 175

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Only rounded spoonfuls are required—not heaping spoonfuls.

Only a few days more....

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TABLE ARTICLES,
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Here

For your own good and in the interest of
your pocket book, don't select your pre-
sent until you call at the Jewelry store of....
TEETZEL & HAYDON
... and see their endless variety of goods suit-
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TWIN CITY TELEPHONE 172.

TUESDAY, DEC. 21, 1897.

WOULD BE A MISTAKE.

A proposition is before the council to
enter into a contract with the St. Jo-
seph and Benton Harbor electric com-
pany to furnish the city 33 arc lights
for three years at the annual rate of
\$80.

In the first place it is a very question-
able business policy at the present
time to add nine additional electric
lights. Benton Harbor is not the most
prosperous city in the world just now.
The city has not lately spread out over
new territory and if the inhabitants
could live in darkness during the boom
times of the past, why cannot they hold
out a little longer until the prosperity
wave comes and the city will be in bet-
ter shape to stand additional taxes.

In the second place, making a three
years' contract at a big price is very
unbusinesslike. The report of Labor
Commissioner Cox published last week
showed that the average price paid for
arc lights in Michigan was \$6 per
month or \$72 per year. This is \$8 per
year less than the price offered by the
local company on a long contract.

A man in his private business would
not make such a contract as proposed.
It remains to be seen what the council
will do for the city. It is safe to pre-
dict that no such contract will be made.

THE Christmas dinner contest of
THE EVENING NEWS has closed and
the prize awarded to the winner this
afternoon. THE NEWS has received
much commendation for inaugurating
this contest, for it has inspired new in-
terest in the highest of all womanly
arts, that of cooking a first-class meal
at a small expense. There were 42 con-
testants for the prize and each con-
testant was worthy of praise for the skill
shown in the preparation of her bill
of fare.

EVEN "Uncle Tom's Cabin" is not
true. George Lewis Clark, the negro
who furnished Mrs. Stowe her idea of
"Uncle Tom," died in Kentucky last
week while Mrs. Stowe had him killed
by Legree's whip thirty years ago.

Now the aldermen have got their
pay for a year's work. Suppose they
should die before their term of office
expired?

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot
reach the diseased portion of the ear.
There is only one way to cure deaf-
ness, and that is by constitutional re-
medies. Deafness is caused by an in-
flamed condition of the mucous lining
of the Eustachian Tube. When this
tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling
sound or imperfect hearing and when
it is entirely closed deafness is the re-
sult, and unless the inflammation can
be taken out and this tube restored to
its normal condition, hearing will be
destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten
are caused by catarrh, which is noth-
ing but an inflamed condition of the
mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars
for any case of Deafness (caused by ca-
tarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's
Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.
F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.
Sold by Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best

The news service of The Chicago
Chronicle is complete. Those who
have not read this model newspaper
lately should send for a sample copy.
They are cheerfully sent free.

Old papers for sale at this office.

Holiday Excursion Rates.

For Christmas and New Year holi-
days, C. & W. M. & D. G. R. & W.
Ry. agents will sell tickets at one and
one-third fare to stations in Michigan,
Ohio and Indiana. Selling dates Decem-
ber 24, 25, 31, and January 1. Re-
turn limit January 4.
GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

If you want a nice finish on your
goods and a perfect fitting neck band
no to the Enterprise laundry. tf603

Have you seen Wallace Bros.' fine
line of candy, 110 Pipestone street?

Everybody Says So.

Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most won-
derful medical discovery of the age, pleas-
ant and refreshing to the taste, acts gently
and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels,
cleansing the entire system, dispels colds,
cure headache, fever, habitual constipation
and biliousness. Please buy and try a box
of C. C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and
guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

Tri-Weekly to Chicago.

The steamer City of Duluth will leave
Monday, Wednesday and Friday even-
ings for Chicago. Fare each way, in-
cluding berth, \$1.

GRAHAM & MORTON TRANS. CO.

Holiday Rates.

On December 24, 25, 31 and January
1 the Big Four will sell tickets at one
and one-third fare good to return Janu-
ary 4. Tickets sold to all local points
and to all points on connecting lines.
L. J. SMITH, Agent.

Cabinet photos \$1.50 at A. D. Lacy's.

A GREAT COMBINATION

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CITY STEAM LAUNDRY

BEST OUTFIT BEST WORK

and BEST PRICES

See Our New Price List Which Goes Into Effect Monday, Nov. 15

Our work is the best and we guarantee to make your goods wear
one-fourth longer than any other laundry in this section, especially
the so-called hand laundries, for they cannot avoid the use of chem-
icals which we have done away with by the use of our new WATER
PURIFIER, which gives us an abundant supply of practically soft
water. Do not be deceived by parties claiming to do the work all
by hand, for their methods are very much more destructive to the
linen than ours with our late improvements. We have had years
of experience in both ways and know whereof we speak. If you
will visit our laundry you will at once be convinced that our way of
washing is the easiest possible on the goods. Flannels washed with
distilled water and Olive Oil soap, leaving them soft and full size.

Again we say See Our New Price List...

City Steam Laundry

135 East Main Street.

For Heating Stoves

...SEE THE...

PENINSULAR

W. H. BAKER..

124 Pipestone Street.

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Store**

...113 W. Main St.



ENDERS & YOUNG

Minute by minute, hour by hour, day by day and week by week, the time is drawing near when the
doors of the Globe Clothing and Shoe Store will forever close. In the meantime we are
making an immense sacrifice in

Clothing, Boots, Rubbers, Trunks and Traveling Bags

20 Men's black wool ulsters, all sizes, wool lined, extra heavy weight, were \$8.00 \$4 50
marked down to \$6.50, now going at

30 Men's black and blue wool beaver overcoats, all sizes, this year's production, velvet \$4 50
collars, were \$8.50 each, now going at

30 Men's all wool suits, small sizes only, both frocks and sacks, mostly dark colors, \$3 00
unparalleled values, were \$12.50 to \$18 each, now going at

75 Boys' knee pant suits, sizes 4 to 10, heavy weight, dark colors, assorted patterns, \$1 75
were \$3.00 to \$7.50, now

20 pairs Men's patent and enamel leather shoes, good shapes and sizes, were \$4.00, \$3 00
\$4.50 and \$5.00, now

25 pairs Men's Vici kid Balmorals and Congress, with patent tip, new toe, worth \$2.50 \$2 39
to \$3.50, now

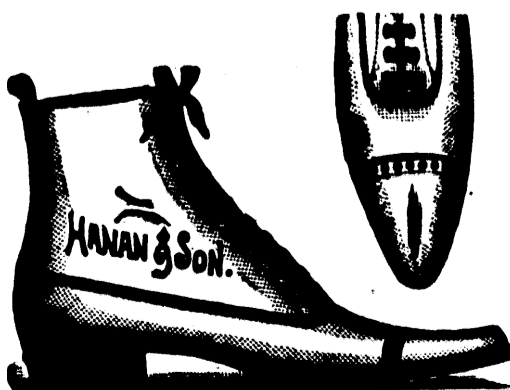
72 pairs Ladies' velvet slippers, worth 69c | 24 pairs Ladies' Dongola kid button \$1 49
85c to \$1.25, now going at shoes, all sizes, were \$2.00, now

For the Holidays--Christmas Presents, etc., we are prepared to serve you in a substantial way
with necessities as well as luxuries that are always preferred.

The Globe Store

113 West Main Street,

Benton Harbor, Mich.



A LARGE BANKRUPT STOCK OF
Shot Guns and Rifles
Of all kinds for sale atJACKSON'S
GUN STORE.

108 Water St., Benton Harbor, Mich.
Remember that I keep all kinds of hunting, fishing and sporting goods on hand and that I will not be undersold by any dealer in Southwestern Michigan. Winchester repeating rifles of all sizes at \$10, \$11 and \$14 each; see the old and new models. Quackenbush 22 calibre and other target guns. Winchester repeating shot gun, 6 shots, at \$17; one Parker Bros. double barrel shot gun, second-hand at \$20 and I have double barrel breech loading shot guns, both 10 and 12 gauge at \$7, \$9, \$11 and \$12 each; single barrel breech loaders, both new and second-hand at \$5, \$6 and \$7 each; muzzle loading shot guns at the lowest prices, loaded paper shells 10, 12 and 16 gauge, a leader at 35 cents per box. I have the quick shots, Rivals and U. M. C. in large stock, that you can be suited on shot sizes; a full and complete line of Winchester, Colts and Marlin rifle cartridges at winning prices; 26 different sizes of revolver cartridges. B. B. Floberts and Blanks, Laffin & Rand's shot gun; rifle and blasting powder, smokeless powder for rifles and shot guns; shot gun fixtures; brass shells, loaded and unloaded; buck, common shot and par lead; reloading tools for rifles and shot guns, cartridge belts and shell bags, hunting coats, vests and hats, canvas game bags and belts for hunters, powder flasks and shot pouches; primers, snipe, turkey and duck calls; shot gun shells loaded with smokeless powder, bowie knives and knives for hunters, pasteboard and felt wads, waterproof and G. D. gun caps. All kinds of new and second-hand revolvers. My leaders are 22 center fire at \$1.50, 32 and 38 center fire at \$1.75. These guns are all of the Bull-dog pattern and they are all right. I am selling today the 32 and 38 center fire both blue and nickel, 5 and 6 shot rubber handle rifle barrel, fitted cylinder, break down, shell ejector, 4 1/2 inch barrel, Smith & Wesson pattern for \$4. You can have a large stock of Iver Johnson, Harrington & Richardson to select from. And now is that for a leader on guns? Holsters for revolvers and cases for guns and rifles, dark suitcases for coon hunters and Newhouse traps for trappers; compasses, boxing gloves, iron and maple dumbbells, punching bags, foot balls, all kinds and sizes, sling shots, billies and snookies, dog chains, collars and muzzles.

All Kinds of Shot Guns and Rifles to Rent by the Day or Week.

See my Marlin safety rifles of all sizes, air lines and B. B. shot for air rifles, sling shots, rubber bands and anything that will shoot, you will find it at Jackson's. One 7x7 and 1 7x9 wedge cents for sale cheap. If you have got a good rifle, shot gun or revolver and want to sell it I will buy it. I have a large Colt revolver, 45 size at \$5, a Remington large 44 at \$5.

Unredeemed Gold and Silver watches of All Kinds.

Twenty-seven solid gold rings, bangles, garters and violins at 1/4 first cost. Trading men look over my watch stock. I can always stock you up on bargains. I have dealt in fishing, hunting and sporting goods in Benton Harbor for 20 years. I buy cheaper than any other dealer and I will not be undersold. SECOND-HAND BOOKS WANTED. I do not handle school books. After November 1st I will pay the best market price for all kinds of raw furs, and remember that I loan money on all kinds of personal property, and I always have about 14 wagon loads of second-hand truck of all kinds for sale. I also cash the time checks of the Crouch Construction company.

CHAS. A. JACKSON
Dealer in Almost Everything.

THE PRIZE DINNER

Mrs. W. C. Hovey of This City Won The Evening News \$5 Prize.

The Reasons that Influenced the Judges in Making their Award.

Bills of Fare without Turkey were not Considered Christmas Dinners.

Race Between Seven Contestants so Close the Judges Could Scarce Decide.

Evening News Prize Christmas Dinner.

Two Dollar Meal for Six Persons by Mrs. W. C. Hovey of Benton Harbor.

..MENU..

TOMATO SOUP—WAFERS	
POTATOES	ESCALLOPED OYSTERS
CABBAGE SALAD	CELERY
CRANBERRY JELLY	MACARONI AND CHEESE
BREAD	
SUET PUDDING	COFFEE

Cost and How to Prepare the Dinner.

One can tomatoes for soup.....	\$ 10
Three pints milk for soup, escalloped oysters, macaroni and cheese.....	8
Wafers to serve with soup.....	5
Six pound turkey.....	75
Two loaves bread for stuffing and table.....	5
One pint oysters.....	13
One-half pound crackers for escalloped oysters.....	4
Cabbage for salad.....	3
Vinegar for salad.....	1
Two eggs for salad.....	3
Cheese.....	8
Macaroni.....	2
Potatoes.....	3
One pint cranberries for jelly.....	5
One pound butter for seasoning and table.....	20
One pound granulated sugar.....	5
One-half pint cream for coffee.....	5
Coffee.....	2
Suet for pudding.....	5
Raisins for pudding.....	3
Flour for pudding.....	3
Molasses for pudding.....	2
Salt, pepper, spices and one teaspoon of baking powder for pudding.....	5
Celery.....	5

\$2 00

RECIPE FOR SUET PUDDING:—1/2 cup suet, 1/2 cup raisins, 1/2 cup molasses, 1/2 cup hot water, 1 cup flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon, cloves and nutmeg. SALT:—1/2 cup sugar, 1 cup water, 1 large tablespoon butter, 1 large tablespoon flour, flavor nutmeg.

Mrs. W. C. Hovey, one of the 42 contestants for THE EVENING NEWS \$5 gold prize for the best menu for a Christmas dinner, has been awarded the prize.

Yesterday afternoon Mrs. R. M. Jones, Mrs. J. M. Allmendinger and Mrs. J. T. Owens met at the home of the latter and spent several hours in arriving at a decision. The names of the authors of the various bills of fare were unknown to the judges and one was distinguished from another simply by the number it bore. The papers were numbered from 1 to 42.

The first thing the judges did was to decide that no dinner should take the prize unless it contained a turkey. This decided several excellent menus with allowances for ducks or chickens were cast aside. Some of these were exceptionally well prepared and calculated to make the best fed person hungry, but the rule that a turkey was the proper meat for Christmas barred them out of the race for consideration. The most neatly gotten up bill of fare, bound in book form with the menu on one page, the articles necessary to purchase on the next, and the directions for the preparation of the dishes on following pages, bore the number 1. It was the work of Mrs. F. F. Pratt and the judges wanted this to receive special mention. But it didn't get the prize or come near it. The fatal mistake was that turkey was spelled "d-u-c-k."

The judges finally reduced the list down to seven as follows: No. 24 (Mrs. W. C. Hovey); No. 41 (Mrs. S. B. Van Horn); No. 2 (Miss Belle Kidd); No. 15 (Mrs. George M. Bell); No. 27 (Mrs. Newton Bush); No. 9 (Mrs. W. D. Downey); No. 19 (Mrs. Angie R. Brooks).

It was hard for the judges to decide between the seven, harder than it was for them to pick the seven out of the forty-two. At one time No. 2 (the work of Miss Belle Kidd) was being very favorably considered for first place, but one item of cost, "turkey and dressing 50 cents," staggered the judges. They made a trip down town to see what kind of a turkey could be bought for 50 cents, less the cost of the

dressing. The judges were satisfied that the estimate was too low. No. 15 (Mrs. George M. Bell's) was being very favorably considered until the item "Butter 8 cents" was reached. It was agreed that six ounces of butter was not sufficient for a dinner of the kind proposed. Mrs. Bell estimated the cost of a salad at 18 cents and had she reversed the prices on the butter and salad "it might have been." The remainder of the seven were struggled with in a similar way until No. 24 (Mrs. Hovey's) was reached and in the opinion of the judges this was the most concise description of the best \$2 Christmas dinner for six that could be made.

"The exactness of price and the estimates of quantities were the points on which our decision was largely based," said one of the judges last evening. "No. 24 was the only one which contained turkey, oysters and soup."

THE EVENING NEWS will publish the bills of fare furnished by contestants, one each day, and the collection will make a valuable addition to the scrap book of any lady who prides herself on cooking. Many persons declared when this contest started that a Christmas dinner for six persons could not be prepared for \$2 when every small article in composition of the dinner was counted.

All the ladies who have taken a part in the contest will have the satisfaction of knowing that if they didn't get the prize they have helped many a perplexed housewife to see what a variety of good dinners can be prepared at so small a cost.

The following letter announced to Mrs. Hovey that she had won: Benton Harbor, Dec. 21.—Mrs. W. C. Hovey: Enclosed find \$5 gold, the prize awarded you in the Christmas dinner contest.

"They laugh w. 5 win," says the Bible or some other book. Please allow THE NEWS, the judges and the 41 unsuccessful contestants to laugh with you.

THE EVENING NEWS. This afternoon, when the prize was sent Mrs. Hovey a more surprised woman never was. She said in surprise, "Why I never expected to get it."

The display in Teetzel & Haydon's windows is changed every day.

Smoke the "Columbia" 5 cent cigar

THE WEATHER.

Partly Cloudy tonight and Wednesday.
Brisk north-west winds.

THE FIRST TELEGRAM

The Evening News Sent the First Dispatch Over the New Telegraph Line.

SENT AT 1:56 THIS AFTERNOON

It Invited Roy Mead, The News Buchanan Agent, to the Newsboys' Concert.

THE EVENING NEWS enjoys the proud distinction of sending the first telegram over the new Postal line to Buchanan.

At 1:56 this afternoon Agent L. O. Schaffer sent the following dispatch, the first one to flash over the new wires that run along the Milwaukee, Benton Harbor & Columbus railroad:

Benton Harbor, Dec. 21.—Roy Mead, agent Evening News, Buchanan, Mich. You are invited to attend the grand concert of the Evening News Newsboys' band in this city, December 29. The Evening News.

At 2:02 this afternoon THE NEWS was again fortunate and sent the first message to the Berrien Springs office. It was sent to Lewis Kephart, our Berrien Springs agent, and was a duplicate of the Buchanan dispatch.

TOO CHEAP.

People Wanted the Martin Estate for a Song.

The estate of the late Jane E. Martin, embraces many valuable pieces of property in the city of St. Joseph.

This morning C. M. Van Riper, attorney for Mrs. Martin's heirs held a public sale of the property to pay debts of the deceased in front of the city hall but as the people who bid wanted to purchase valuable property at a ridiculously low figure, only one sale will be confirmed. This sale was the lots known as the old foundry property on Wayne street which was sold to Frank Pixley for \$870. Joseph Burkhard bid in the old homestead at \$2,700 but the sale was not confirmed. Eight lots in Hoyt's addition were bid on but Mr. Van Riper will not allow them to go at the figures offered.

WATCH

THIS SPACE THIS WEEK.....

Holly!

Holly!

Wes'day, Dec. 22

PER DOZEN
Oranges - 12c
Oranges - 20c
Oranges - 30c
Oranges - 40c

PER LB.
Mixed Candy 5c
P'nut Taffy - 15c
Xmas Holly 25c
Winesap Apples per peck, 35c

Rogers Bros'. Silverware at practically your own price.

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The Grocer,

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With an always fresh, clean and superior stock of Fresh and Salt Meats, Poultry, Game and Oysters.

See our prices and compare them with what you have been paying.

Rib Roast, - 9c	Sausage, home-made, 8c
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Fresh Side Pork, - 7c	Good Bacon, - 10c
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Pork Roasts, - 9c	Frankforts, - 8c

Spare Ribs, 7c Pure Lard, 8c.

The finest fresh Bulk Oysters at 30c a quart.

Our Meat Market is closed on Sundays. □

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The Meat Men..
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Watches, Diamonds, Silverware, Etc.

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...ALL NEXT WEEK

The finest assortment of Banquet, Hanging and Hand Lamps in the city. Will be sold at cost.

FINE CHINA..

Our assortment is new and complete and our prices will enable you to buy two presents with the money you expected to spend for one.

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137 Pipestone Street, Sweet Block..

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This will be the greatest shopping week of the year. Everyone is getting ready for a visit from Santa Claus. We are prepared to help Santa Claus select articles for the young and old. Our list comprises:

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This is only a partial list of what we have. All will be sold at the lowest prices. You will save money if you will come and look at our goods and buy.

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Does He Smoke?

We mean your
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heart, Brother or
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If he does, call
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will be Given at Conkey's Hall New Year's Eve.

A children "old folks" concert under the directorship of Mrs. F. B. Cary will be given New Year's eve at Conkey's hall for the benefit of the universalist church.

A chorus of fifty voices.

Mandolin, guitar, banjo, violin, piano and vocal solos, duets and trios by world renowned artists.

The minstrel will be danced by two New York swells.

A wonderful array of male vocalists. A wonderful array will be there also for "Gay Old Girls" in song and dance.

Don't miss the fun and come early if you want a seat.

This is one of the "ladies aid" regular monthly entertainments with the 50 cents admission.

BE THE LEADERS
Other Dealers Follow Our Lead.

Beginning Wednesday Morning, December 1,
The following Prices on UNDERWEAR will take effect:

Children's, Misses' and Boys' Vests and Pants, sizes 16 to 34, from 11c to 30c.
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Boys' Heavy Fleece, all sizes, 25c.
Children's, Misses' and Boys' strictly all wool Vests and Pants, all sizes, 18c to 60c.
Ladies' fleeced lined Vests and Pants, 25c, 35c, 50c.
Ladies' fine ribbed all wool, 85c and \$1.00.
Ladies' extra weight, all wool flat goods, \$1.00 and \$1.25.
Ladies' extra weight, all wool scarlet goods, \$1.00.
Ladies' Union suits, fleeced lined, 25c, 50c, \$1.00.
Ladies' Union suits, half wool, \$1.00.
Ladies' Union suits, Oneida, all wool, \$1.40 to \$3.00.
Ladies' equestrienne tights, all wool, black, \$1.00 and \$1.40.
Men's heavy merino, camel hair and natural random, at 25c.
The best fleeced lined in the market, 50c.
Heavy camel's hair, 69c.
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Rock Candy drip syrup, per gal.	20c	1 can Tomatoes	07
19 lbs G Sugar	\$1.00	1 large bottle catsup	10
1 lb package corn starch	05	1 lb of cocoanut	15
Large bottle blueing	03	One half pound cocoanut	10
1 pkg white chip soap	05	1 pound Bakers chocolate	17
1 sack salt	03	1 package sweet chocolate	07
12 bars soap	25	Oat meal per package	08
Salt pork per pound	05	8 pounds of best oat meal	25
6 bars Ivory soap	25	1 gal oil can with wood jacket	10
1 lb crackers	05	1 lb Sal Soda	02
1 lb good coffee	10	1 lb Rice	05
1 lb of 50c tea for	33	1 pkg Arm & Hammer Saleratus	05
1 lb can Salmon	10	All kinds of pure spices, Cinnamon,	
1 lb Raisins	06	Allspice, Cloves, Pepper, Mustard in	
1 lb of 60c tea for	45	pound lots	25
1 can of corn	07		

The above prices are for cash only and goods of the very best quality at live and let live prices. Watch this ad.

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THE EVENING NEWS

25 CENTS A MONTH

Deep, deep, deep, I'm the king of the night,
Deep, deep, deep, my heart is quick with
fright.
For one is summoned free from home an life
an kindly light.
They're sleepin' a', they're sleepin' a', as warm
as a possible
As if could death was far awa' at work upon
the sea.
But oh, he's near at hand an tells a wearie
tale to me!
An will he tak' the raven hair or will he tak'
the gray?
Or will he wag a finger bare at laughin, lint
white May?
Oh, let him mak' a sign to me, for gladly I
would gae!
Deep, deep, deep, in a night without a
mune.
Deep, deep, deep, deep—it draps a loo'ed life
dune.
I sat an shiver by myself—God send the day
light sun!
—Nimmo Christie in Black and White.

HERE SUSANNE.

When I first saw her, she was stand-
ing in her cottage doorway, leaning
both hands on her stick. The sunset was
on her face, glorifying the cottage win-
dows and the little garden, and there
was a noise of singing birds about her.
Her eyes were turned westward. She
was a little old woman, with gray hair
and a small, determined face. Her lips
were thin and her eyes bright and deep
set, with penthouse brows.

I lingered, wondering a little. From
inside the cottage there came the con-
tinual cheep cheep and twitter of birds.
There were cages hung up outside
near the door, and one even on the door-
step. The old woman looked straight
across the flat fields to the sunset. She
had a colorless wrap about her head,
and she wore a colorless dress and a
blue apron. The sunset glorified them
all.

I thought she did not see me, but as
I went by she called to me, and I turned
back. She came down to the little gate
and said, "Monsieur is a stranger?"

"Yes, madame."

"And he has traveled perhaps?"

"In many lands."

"Has he ever met a tall lad, a sol-
dier, very fair and handsome, with blue
eyes?"

"I have met many soldiers, madame."

"But this one! Think, monsieur,"
she urged. "You could never have for-
gotten him. His hair was like the sky
yonder"—she pointed to the ruined
gold of the sunset—"and his eyes
danced, danced always. He was always
merry."

"I am very sorry, madame, I do not
remember him."

She seemed a little saddened and was
turning away when I said, "You keep
many singing birds, madame?"

"They call me Mere Susanne," she
said. "Come in, monsieur, if you will,
and see them."

The cottage was two roomed—one
room where she lived and slept; I learned
afterward that the other was a
shrine—empty—where she went to
pray when her heart and hope were
numb.

The little kitchen was filled with
birds in cages. She had to put one on
the floor to offer me a seat. As for her-
self she sat down on a stool in the
midst of them. Then she took up the
cage from the floor on to her knee, and,
putting in her hand, captured the song-
ster. It was a chaffinch. She stroked its
wings and laid it against her face. It
did not try to escape, but nestled con-
tentedly against the wrinkled cheek.

"It knows you," I said.

She gave a contented little laugh.

"They all do. But I won't need them
when he comes home."

"Who is he?"

"He—my boy that I told you of.
Some of them used to say he would
never come back when they thought I
didn't hear them. But I know."

The twilight was closing in. A grad-
ual hush had crept over the linnets and
finches, the canaries and the rest. She
put back the bird into its cage and rose;
I too. She did not ask me to go again.
I went out into the little garden and
the twilight and continued my walk;
but, returning home the same way, I
heard a strange sound through the
spring darkness. It was Mere Susanne
crouched up by the garden paling, cry-
ing to herself.

A few days later I came across her in
the fields. She was plucking dandelion
and herbs for salad and groundsel for
birds. She told me that she went about
selling them to those of the neighbors
who had no time to come and look for
their own.

The new green was springing up
around us. The sky was blue. A spring
wind wandered about and blow apart
the old woman's hair on her forehead
as she worked.

"You leave your birds alone all day?"
I said.

"Yes," she answered, "but I hear
them singing all the same."

"How, then, since your cottage is not
near here?"

"How do I know?" she said, straight-
ening herself. "It gets plainer and
plainer as I go home in the evenings,
and when I get in at the gate they all
begin together." She stooped down
again, smiling. "It's almost like hav-
ing a child waiting for one," she said,
but not to me.

I thought of her that evening when,
looking out of my window, I saw that
the sky in the west had turned primrose.

I saw her trudging home with the light
on her face and the singing of her birds
in her ears growing nearer and nearer,
till at last she turned in at the little
gate.

Often after that I met her in the fields
or going her rounds in the village.
Sometimes when I saw her talking with
the neighbors I fancied that the glamour
of a spring evening had worked a spell
and that after all there was nothing un-
common or evil about her, and then I
remembered the eyes that had watched
the sunset and the strange sound heard
through the spring darkness.

If in the daytime I chanced to pass



her cottage, which stood alone among
the sad, cultivated fields, I heard her
birds singing and chirping ceaselessly.
"Monsieur," she said, to me once,
"when I am dead they will stop sing-
ing."
She went early to work in the morn-
ings, giving them fresh food and water
before starting. Often she went far
afield for herbs. Once I met her coming
home slowly and heavily, leaning on
her stick. Dusk had fallen, and the east
was growing tender for the moonrise.
She asked me in that evening. I no-
ticed that she moved about feebly, as
though she were tired out, and at last
she sat down and was silent.
"Mere Susanne," I said suddenly,
"when is your boy coming back? How
long has he been away?"
By the movement she made I knew
that she raised her head, for we were in
darkness.
"Monsieur," she said, "he may come
any day. Every night I say to myself,
'Perhaps he will come tomorrow, may-
be before I am up, or he will meet me
coming home in the evening.'"
"Why does he delay, Mere Susanne?"
Her fingers grew restless and plucked
at her apron. "I cannot tell, monsieur.
But it is not long since he went—only
a little while ago."
"When did he go, Mere Susanne, and
why? You have never told me. When
was it?"
"It was during the war, monsieur. I
do not know how long ago; I have no
memory, but only a little while since.
Monsieur will know. He went to fight."
Then at last I began to understand.
It was 20 years since her boy had gone.
She would not have known him now.
He was a tall lad, fair and handsome,
and blue eyed to her still, and she was
waiting for him to come back from a
battlefield which the plow had turned
up a score of times since that last battle
had been fought.
The little room and the darkness
seemed to me to grow very sad. At
times came a twitter from a sleepless
bird, and then the moonlight stole in
and found us. Mere Susanne rose up.
"See, monsieur," she said, "I will
show you his room." And she took me
into the other chamber. It was very
bare and spotless, and the white moon-
light was glorifying it—nay, was hal-
lowing it; for it was a shrine. There
was nothing in it except a chair and a
chest of drawers and the bed against
the wall. The moonlight was streaming
on to the pillow where should have been
lying the head that had slept since on
another bed of honor.
Mere Susanne stole up and kissed it,
and then, kneeling, laid her own head
there. And I stumbled out into the lit-
tle garden and the soft moonshine and
shadow, not seeing where I went.
Sometimes I fancy that her boy came
home; that some early summer twilight
he met her returning from the fields
and came back with her through the
little gate and into the cottage, his arm
about her shoulders and she looking up
at his face with pride and peace in hers.
Was it so, I wonder? I like to think
that it was. For one morning when I
passed by the little cottage stood with
open door in the early sunlight. And
the birds had stopped singing.—St.
Louis Globe-Democrat.

A German Cyclist's Brake.

"We Americans traveling abroad are
apt to be very proud of our reputation
for cleverness," said a tourist who went
bicycling in Europe last summer. "And
no doubt we have reason to be. But I
am going to tell you how I had some of
the conceit taken out of me."
"We were going through Switzerland
and had reached the close of the first
day's descent toward Geneva. The road
had been too steep to coast without the
aid of a brake, and as we were afraid to
use our brakes for fear our tires would
not last us through our trip we back
pedaled all the way.
"As we were sitting after supper on
the veranda of the lodge discussing the
fatigue of our unusual exercise and
dreading the morrow, which meant
more of the same sort, our attention was
suddenly called to a cloud of dust de-
scending the mountain side. Then we
saw a cyclist, coasting as nice as you
please, towing a good sized sapling by
a rope tied to the rear of his wheel,
which acted as an effective brake with-
out injury to the tires. One of the boys
ejaculated, 'Well, why didn't we think
of that?' The rest were simply dumb.
That man was a German. I now take
off my hat to our German brethren of
the wheel."—New York Sun.

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Sir George Tressady, Mrs. Humphrey
Ward.
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Le Gallienne.
Quo. Vadis, Jeremiah Curtin.
Timothy's Quest, Kate Douglas Wig-
gins.
A Rose of Yesterday, F. Marion Craw-
ford.
A Singular Life, Elizabeth Stuart
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MacLaren.
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WANTED—D. W. LEWIS IS NOW WITH us and will make keys for any lock, repair any kind of gun, fix anything to bicycles and we are now prepared to do any kind of repairing. If you have anything to repair, bring it to the Yellow Front Bargain Store, prices right.

WANTED—AT ONCE GOOD SECOND hand 18 bass horn. Must be cheap for cash. Call at this office. t693

WANTED—WE WANT EVERYBODY to know that we do everything in repairing and that we have for sale everything in new and second hand goods. We buy, sell or exchange, or sell on commission, anything at bargain prices, and guarantee to please you at Yellow Front Bargain Store.

LOST.

LOST—TWO IRON RODS SUCH AS ARE used in a Fairbanks scale. Finder please leave at office of the Benton Fuel Co. t696

FOR SALE OR FOR RENT

FOR SALE OR TRADE FOR WOOD. A good strong pair one-horse bob sleighs. Enquire of E. B. Stark, McDonald Packard addition. t695

FOR RENT—STORE ROOM IN NEWLAND block after January 1, 1898. Enquire at office, room 6. Dr. N. A. Herring. t6910

FOR SALE—A SPAN OF WELL MATCHED black & grey old horses, harness and lumber wagon, plow, drag, buggy and light harness. Enquire H. L. Nelson, 145 Hickcourt st. t6980

FOR SALE—BALED HAY, AT 50 CENTS per cwt., and straw at 25 cents per bale. Enquire of H. H. Westcott, at farmers' sheds and feed barn, Seventh street. t6978

FOR SALE—WE CAN SUPPLY YOU WITH stoves, bedsteads, springs, chairs, couches, desks, side boards, framed pictures, bed room sets, and in fact anything to keep house with. We buy, sell or exchange almost anything. Come to Yellow Front Bargain Store. t6923

FOR SALE—GOOD SEWING MACHINE \$3.00. Hand lumps all complete, 14 cents. Canned fruit in glass cans. Ladies' jackets 50c. Hanging lamps complete, \$1. Feather pillows \$1.50 pair. We have everything you can think of, the cheapest at Yellow Front Bargain store.

FOR RENT—ONE OF THE FINEST flats in the Mills block C W Schriber, West Michigan Nurseries. t6963

FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS WITH without board. 214 Pipestone street. t6912

FOR RENT—10 ROOM HOUSE, HIGHLAND avenue, hot and cold water, bath, and barn. One block from new car line. Rent \$10. C. K. Farmer. t6925

FOR SALE—STORY & CLARK ORGAN IN upright piano case. In good condition. Call at 214 Brunson avenue. t6916

RHEUMATISM CURED IN A DAY. "Myo Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits. W. M. Bell & Co., Druggists, Benton Harbor, 103 Main street.

MORE STREET LIGHTS

Council Committee Make a Report for a Wholesale Increase in the Use of Electricity.

WANT NINE EXTRA ARC LAMPS.

And Recommend That a Three Year's Contract Be Made With the Electric Light Co.

One of the features of the meeting of the common council last evening was the report of the committee on electric lights, made by Alderman Samuel Brown. The report recommended the placing of nine new arc lights in the city at the following places: At the corner of Eighth and Elm streets, at Colfax and Harrison, at Broadway and Britain, at Jefferson and High, East Main and Fourth, two on West Main street, one on Lake Shore drive and one on Morton avenue near the college. Alderman Volheim, a member of the lighting committee, vigorously protested against the report, for he as a member of the committee had been ignored.

Alderman S. Brown recommended that the city make a three years' contract with the St. Joseph & Benton Harbor electric light company for 33 arc lights at an annual expense of \$80 per year per light. The city now pays \$88 per year for 24 lights, and the 33 lights under the proposed contract would cost \$528 per year more than the amount paid at present. The city is now paying for electricity \$2,112 per year and under the proposed contract would pay \$2,640. The report of the committee was accepted but action was deferred on the recommendation.

Alderman Volheim and Rowe argued against the advisability of making a three years' contract when every year the price of electric lighting was rapidly decreasing. The matter will be struggled with later on. As an inducement to the city to make a three years' contract the electric company offered to put up a light on the river bridge free of expense if the contract for 33 lights at \$2,640 per year for three years was made.

The people in the vicinity of Edwards avenue on Morton hill showed their modesty by asking the council to put up oil lamps in that section, the citizens offering to keep the lamps trimmed and lighted.

The sum of \$50 was voted Attorney Charles N. Sears to go to Lansing to fight the Tatman case against the city.

The resignation of W. A. Clauser as a member of Wide Awake Hose company was accepted. Mayor Bell filled the vacancy by the appointment of L. D. Sheffield as a member of the company and E. Startsel as assistant second chief.

City Attorney Ellsworth reported that there was no statute providing for the control of children on the streets, unless they became disorderly, and that a curfew ordinance would only be a bluff and he was opposed to working bluff legislation. There might be some good accomplished along this line by instructing the police force to break up the resorts for children. The report of the attorney was accepted and the curfew law was put away in its little grave.

S. Warner was present to enter objection to the sewer assessment of Mrs. Thomas Sprues. Her assessment was reduced from \$12 to \$3. L. W. Clodfelter also made a kick. His assessment was \$3 and his kick availed him nothing. The sewer assessment of H. Merry was reduced from \$7.50 to \$3. This was to make things uniform though Mr. Merry never asked for a reduction.

The Buchanan bills in the Showalter case were rejected.

The following bills were allowed: J. Bell Hose company, \$30.86; Hose company, No. 3, \$95.75; W. A. Clauser, second assistant chief, \$10; Charles Johnson, fire chief, \$80; Wide Awake Hose company, \$12.57; Charles W. Hall, rent of land for Wide Awake Hose house, \$25.

Attention, Ladies of G. A. R.

The next meeting of Henry C. Rowe circle, ladies of the G. A. R., will be held Wednesday afternoon, at 2 p. m. sharp. Let every member be present as it will be the annual election of officers. By order of ELLEN D. PLUMMER, President. NELLIE L. WARD, Secretary.

Have glasses fitted by Dr. Antisdale.

OLD SANTA CLAUS.

HE VISITED THE COUNCIL CHAMBER LAST NIGHT.

Mayor Bell and the Members of the Common Council Voted Themselves Their Year's Salary.

At the council meeting last night the mayor and common council voted themselves their annual salary, the munificent sum of \$50 each, or \$450 for the work of the council and the mayor for the entire year.

Last night at 10 o'clock Old Santa Claus came down the chimney of the city hall and saw nine stockings in a row. The first he came to was a silken hose and bore the name, "The Mayor." In this Old Santa dropped three yellow coins—two were \$20 and one was \$10. The next sock was a large sweet smelling one as though no foot had ever been in it. The name it bore was Alderman Ward. In this fell \$50 in gold. The socks of Aldermen Volheim, Butzbach, Cole, Rowe, and the two Aldermen Brown were visited in a like fashion. The last stocking in the row looked different from the others. The other eight already filled and passed were ochre colored, while the ninth and last was white, both foot and leg. It bore something which puzzled the eyes of Old Santa Claus. At first glance it looked like "16 to 1." The long whiskered old man adjusted his spectacles and combed the ice from his eyebrows, and then he could read, "McDonald." Old Santa faintly and gasped, "I thought that silver was dead and is this its ghost?" Regaining himself, Old Santa whistled and a freight train came rumbling down the chimney and stopped before him.

He began unloading the train and taking the silver dollars off the cars. He kept at work until fifty of them had been dropped into the alderman's sock.

Finis!

Advertised Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in this office for the week ending December 21, 1897:

LADIES.
Brown, Mrs. Lizzie
Brown, Miss J.
Buster, Mrs.
Cham, Louie
Gardner, Miss Angie
Hawkins, Miss Ruth
Lyons, Miss Bernice
Osborn, Mrs. Flora
Ryan, Mrs. Libbie
Scherer, Miss Cora
Sisson, Mr. J.
Pope, Lorenzo D.
Ratze, F. D.
Schulz, Mr. August
Smith, John
Tucker, Mr. J.
Urban, Mr.
Van Allen, B. M.
Woodruff, W. J.
Wilson, Mr. Frank
Morrell, Mr. D.

When calling for these letters please say "advertised."

H. R. HUNTINGTON, P. M.

Teeth and Eyesight.

It is not a generally understood fact that the condition of the teeth has much to do with the health, beauty and usefulness of the eyes. That an ulcerated tooth will often cause extreme inflammation of the eyes is true, and a case is reported of almost total blindness caused by the teeth crowding together. A half grown boy, who had complained of almost incessant uneasiness in his jaws and had been visited with periodical attacks of the most violent toothache, retired one night in his usual condition, but upon awakening the next morning it was discovered that he was blind. The eyes presented a most unnatural appearance and the countenance was strained and distressed. After a good deal of investigation it was decided to remove some of his teeth and see if this would afford relief. Six teeth were extracted and the boy was given sedative treatment. After a few days the sight became normal and there has been no return of the difficulty. Children who appear to have too many teeth should be carefully looked after, especially if they complain of their eyes in any way. Sometimes the symptoms are only secondary, but an acute diagnostician will speedily detect the exact state of the case.—New York Ledger.

GETTING READY.

The S. C. Zombro Lumber Co., Are Making Extensive Repairs.

The S. C. Zombro Lumber company, have closed down their mill until after the holidays and have shipped their engine to Indianapolis where it will be rebuilt. A new foundation for the engine has been put in and the machinery is being put in first-class condition.

F. B. Christopher, manager of the company says the outlook is very bright for a busy season the coming year and they wish to be in a condition to handle all of the business.

ON THE ROAD.

Orla E. Jennings Will be a Knight of the Grip January 1.

Orla E. Jennings, who has been connected in the hardware business of this city for the past nine years, the last five years of which he has been head salesman in the store of Chester C. Sweet, has resigned his position, his resignation to take effect January 1.

Mr. Jennings will represent the Eclipse Stove company, of Mansfield, Ohio, in this state and that the firm has made a good selection in their man there can be no doubt.

His many friends here wish him success in his new business.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All drug gists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. P. on each tablet.

CHARLES TALBOT DEAD.

The Young Man Died at His Home at 8 O'clock Last Night.

Charles Talbot, aged 22 years, son of Andrew Talbot, this city, died at his home, 211 Ogden avenue at 8 o'clock last night.

Mr. Talbot has been ill some time with stomach trouble but his friends and family did not suppose it would cause his death. He was a very bright and talented young man and has many friends who will mourn his demise.

The funeral will be held from the St. John's church at 9 o'clock. Interment in Crystal Springs cemetery.

Hail Death with Joy.—"I was a great sufferer from Heart Disease. The disease was so great I was confined to bed for days. I often thought I could hail death with joy. No physician could give me relief. I procured a bottle of Dr. Azene's Cure for the Heart, the first dose gave me relief. I never felt better in my life."—Mrs. Margaret Smith, Brussels, Ont. Sold by Geo. M. Bell & Co.—73.

We are going to move and want money not goods. Now is the time to buy. TREETZEL & HAYDON.

Leave orders for one of those extra fine five pound boxes of mixed bon bon and chocolate. Christmas prices, \$1.25 EDGAR NICHOLS.

See Wallace Bros., 110 Pipestone street, for skates. t672

Get one of those \$15 suits of Joe Hansen, the tailor, he guarantees them to give perfect satisfaction.

Hear Marion Barton, the child wonder violinist, with the Newsboys' band concert at the M. E. church, Wednesday evening, December 29.

Eight day clocks at Hollis & Son's at \$2.50 till the 25th of December. All warranted.

Wallace Bros.' candy maker makes fresh taffy every day. t672

Nothing more suitable for a Christmas gift than an attractive picture. Call and see Judson E. Rice's, 156 Pipestone street.

Teacher—Who framed the constitution of the United States? Class—(in chorus) Judson E. Rice.

Holiday Excursions Via vandalla Line. For the holidays the Vandalla line will sell excursion tickets at reduced fares from all stations, to local points on its own line, and also to points on connecting lines. For full particulars call on nearest Vandalla line ticket agent or address E. A. FORD, General passenger agent, St. Louis, Mo.

T. F. Anthony, Ex-Postmaster, of Promise City, Iowa, says: "I bought one bottle of 'Myo Cure' for Rheumatism, and two doses of it did me more good than any medicine I ever took." Sold by G. M. Bell & Co., Druggists Benton Harbor, 103 Main street.

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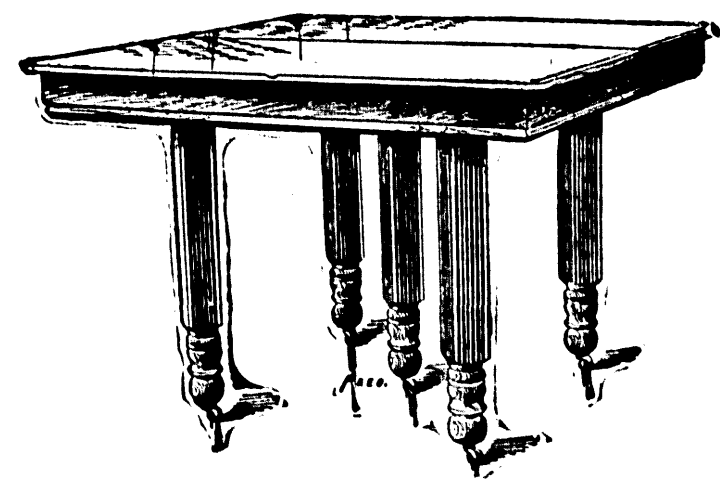
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Crowds of People...

Throng Our Store Daily. And Why Not?

Not being able to visit "King Solomon's Temple," it's the next best thing to do.

"It's not in mortals to COMMAND success, but we'll do more, sempronius, we'll deserve it."—ADDISON.



..Our Magnificent and Unparalleled Array of..

Rockers, Chairs, Tables, Couches, Book Cases, Escritories, Lamps, Toilet Sets, Rugs, etc..

Combined with the lowest prices on record, speak volumes of eloquence, more beeching to the economist, more bewitching to the undecided than anything that could be said by all the silver tongued salesmen in Christendom.

Our Line of Christmas Goods..

this year is most complete, complimented, sought after, talked about and purchased by all who visit our elegant display.

Please do not leave our store without being waited on.

107 E. Main St. **C. J. PECK** Benton Harbor.



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...BAZAAR

Headquarters for.....

Christmas Presents

From the oldest to the youngest

Come and see the pretty things.

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200 Bibles just received direct from the publishers. Now is the time to pick out your Bible and have it laid away for Christmas.

Special Prices Given to Sunday School Teachers. Call and look them over.

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For your winter's **COAL** Lehigh Valley, Anthracite and all kinds of Soft Coal

Hard and Soft Wood Always on Hand.

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Only a few days more....

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SILVERWARE...**

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For your own good and in the interest of your pocket book, don't select your present until you call at the Jewelry store of...
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...and see their endless variety of goods suitable for every member of the family.

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TWIN CITY TELEPHONE 172.

TUESDAY, DEC. 21, 1897.

WOULD BE A MISTAKE.

A proposition is before the council to enter into a contract with the St. Joseph and Benton Harbor electric company to furnish the city 33 arc lights for three years at the annual rate of \$80.

In the first place it is a very questionable business policy at the present time to add nine additional electric lights. Benton Harbor is not the most prosperous city in the world just now. The city has not lately spread out over new territory and if the inhabitants could live in darkness during the boom times of the past, why cannot they hold out a little longer until the prosperity wave comes and the city will be in better shape to stand additional taxes.

In the second place, making a three years' contract at a big price is very unbusinesslike. The report of Labor Commissioner Cox published last week showed that the average price paid for arc lights in Michigan was \$6 per month or \$72 per year. This is \$8 per year less than the price offered by the local company on a long contract.

A man in his private business would not make such a contract as proposed. It remains to be seen what the council will do for the city. It is safe to predict that no such contract will be made.

THE Christmas dinner contest of THE EVENING NEWS has closed and the prize awarded to the winner this afternoon. THE NEWS has received much commendation for inaugurating this contest, for it has inspired new interest in the highest of all womanly arts, that of cooking a first-class meal at a small expense. There were 42 contestants for the prize and each contestant was worthy of praise for the skill shown in the preparation of her bill of fare.

EVEN "Uncle Tom's Cabin" is not true. George Lewis Clark, the negro who furnished Mrs. Stowe her idea of "Uncle Tom," died in Kentucky last week while Mrs. Stowe had him killed by Leerce's whip thirty years ago.

Now the aldermen have got their pay for a year's work. Suppose they should die before their term of office expired?

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the disease portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.
F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.
Sold by Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best

The news service of The Chicago Chronicle is complete. Those who have not read this model newspaper lately should send for a sample copy. They are cheerfully sent free.

Old papers for sale at this office.

Holiday Excursion Rates.
For Christmas and New Year holidays, C. & W. M. & D. G. R. & W. Ry. agents will sell tickets at one and one-third fare to stations in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana. Selling dates December 24, 25, 31, and January 1. Return limit January 4.
GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

If you want a fine finish on your goods and a perfect fitting neck band no to the Enterprise laundry. t603

Have you seen Wallace Bros.' fine line of candy, 110 Pipestone street?

Everybody Says So.
Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, act gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

Tri-Weekly to Chicago.
The steamer City of Duluth will leave Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings for Chicago. Fare each way, including berth, \$1.
GRAHAM & MORTON TRANS. CO.

Holiday Rates.
On December 24, 25, 31 and January 1 the Big Four will sell tickets at one and one-third fare good to return January 4. Tickets sold to all local points and to all points on connecting lines.
L. J. SMITH, Agent.

Cabinet photos \$1.50 at A. D. Lacy's.

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See Our New Price List Which Goes Into Effect Monday, Nov. 15

Our work is the best and we guarantee to make your goods wear one-fourth longer than any other laundry in this section, especially the so-called hand laundries, for they cannot avoid the use of chemicals which we have done away with by the use of our new WATER PURIFIER, which gives us an abundant supply of practically soft water. Do not be deceived by parties claiming to do the work all by hand, for their methods are very much more destructive to the linen than ours with our late improvements. We have had years of experience in both ways and know whereof we speak. If you will visit our laundry you will at once be convinced that our way of washing is the easiest possible on the goods. Flannels washed with distilled water and Olive Oil soap, leaving them soft and full size.

Again we say See Our New Price List...

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For Heating Stoves

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PENINSULAR
W. H. BAKER.

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ENDERS & YOUNG

Minute by minute, hour by hour, day by day and week by week, the time is drawing near when the doors of the Globe Clothing and Shoe Store will forever close. In the meantime we are making an immense sacrifice in

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- 20 Men's black wool ulsters, all sizes, wool lined, extra heavy weight, were \$8.00 \$4 50
marked down to \$6.50, now going at
- 30 Men's black and blue wool beaver overcoats, all sizes, this year's production, velvet \$4 50
collars, were \$8.50 each, now going at
- 30 Men's all wool suits, small sizes only, both frocks and sacks, mostly dark colors, \$3 00
unparalleled values, were \$12.50 to \$18 each, now going at
- 75 Boys' knee pant suits, sizes 4 to 10, heavy weight, dark colors, assorted patterns, \$1 75
were \$3.00 to \$7.50, now
- 20 pairs Men's patent and enamel leather shoes, good shapes and sizes, were \$4.00, \$3 00
\$4.50 and \$5.00, now
- 25 pairs Men's Vici kid Balmorals and Congress, with patent tip, new toe, worth \$2.50 \$2 39
to \$3.50, now
- 72 pairs Ladies' velvet slippers, worth 69c | 24 pairs Ladies' Dongola kid button \$1 49
85c to \$1.25, now going at shoes, all sizes, were \$2.00, now

For the Holidays--Christmas Presents, etc., we are prepared to serve you in a substantial way with necessities as well as luxuries that are always preferred.

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There is a plow. And from the plow to the elevator—from the first operation in wheat farming to the last—one is forced to realize how the spirit of the age has made itself felt here and has reduced the amount of human labor to the minimum. The man who plows uses his muscle only incidentally in guiding the machine. The man who operates the harrow has half a dozen levers to lighten his labor. The "sower" who goes forth to sow, walks leisurely behind a drill and works brakes. The reaper needs a quick brain and a quick hand, but not necessarily a strong arm nor a powerful back. He works sitting down.

The thrashers are merely assistants to a machine, and the men who heave the wheat into the bins only press buttons. The most desirable farmhand is not the fellow who can pound the "mauling machine" most lustily at the county fair. He is the man with the cunning brain who can get the most work out of a machine without breaking it. The farm laborer in the west today, where machinery is employed, finds himself advanced to the ranks of skilled labor and enjoys a position not widely different from that of the mill-hand in the east. Each is a tender of a machine.—William Allen White in Scribner's.

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Having extensive green-houses we can supply

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118 W. Main Street, Avery Building.

Opposite Farmers and Merchants Bank

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Men's good wearing Shoes, with double soles, worth \$1.50, our price 75c

Ladies' Fine Walking Shoes, 75c

Best Ladies' Fine Shoes, worth \$2.50 and \$3.00, our price, \$1.50

Men's good every day suits, \$2.00

Men's Fine Wool Suits, \$3.50

Men's best all wool Black Clay Worsteds Suits, worth \$10 and \$12 our price only, \$6.48

Boys' good wearing Shoes, 75c

Boys' good wearing Suits, 75c

Boys' all wool Knee Pants, fully worth 50c and 75c, 25c

Tinware, Glassware and Notions at wonderfully low prices.

Call, examine our goods and prices and be convinced.

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ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

FIREMEN'S dance at Conkey's hall Christmas eve. A good time is promised those who attend.

JACK Fitzgerald, was creating a disturbance at the Higbee house last night and the police were called in. He occupied a bed in the city jail last night and this morning begged so hard that he was let go.

AT the First Methodist parsonage yesterday afternoon. Rev. W. P. French married Charles Bishop, of this city, and Miss Carrie Garland, of Spinks Corners. Mr. and Mrs. Bishop will live at Berrien Springs.

THE case of Mrs. Jackson vs H. D. Deam was adjourned today until December 27 at 9 o'clock. The case of Henry C. Lane vs Frank Nichols was adjourned until Thursday at 2 o'clock. Both cases are in Justice Kimball's court.

M. W. JENNINGS has received one of his Christmas presents. It is a hat rack made of highly polished buffalo horns, a beautiful piece of work, sent him from Montana by his son, Warren Jennings, who is teaching school in that state.

THE concert to be given in the Methodist church one week from tomorrow night by the Evening News Newsboys' band will be one of the events of the season. The boys will appear for the first time in public in their new uniforms and will play their new "Twin City Two Step, G. & M." march and several other pieces.

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Take Laxative-Bromo Quinine Tablets. All drugs refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

PROF. RODGER'S LECTURE.

Very Able Address at the Presbyterian Church Last Night.

Professor Rodger, of the international university chair of Christian evidence, continued his course of lectures at the Presbyterian church last evening. He discussed the question whether there was any reason outside of the Bible for the belief in a something or someone we call the Holy Spirit. After scientifically expounding cohesion, adhesion and gravitation he significantly asked the question, "what is it?"

A few years ago when electricity began to be applied to propelling street cars and lighting cities a man said to me, "Professor Rodger, will you tell me what electricity is. I have read all the books on the subject I can find but not one of them tells me what it is. They simply tell me what it does and how it manifests itself. Now can you tell me what it is?"

"We are all very busy finding out what it does and how it manifests itself, but the most of us do not get to the what it is. There is so much to take up our time in applying it to practical purposes of life that we become satisfied with what it does instead of pushing on in our search for what it is. Our great temptation is to remain agnostic as to what it is, satisfied with what it does. I told my friend that electricity was material spirit. He asked me what I meant by that and I answered that we do not have the slightest doubt as to its existence but the essence of it we do not know. We may all, scientists and Christians, agree to call it spirit without assuming the existence of a personal, loving, supreme being from whom all things and all beings have come.

"You call these your scientific definitions. Why scientific? Because I have not brought into the consideration an element which some scientists do not yet accept. I have claimed simply what all will admit—viz: the existence of these various phenomena which we designate by electricity, cohesion, adhesion, gravitation, vegetable life, animal life, thought, reason, choice. No scientist doubts their existence—we distinguish them by what they do, not by what they are."

After the lecture came a quiz in which the audience were invited to ask questions. A full half hour was spent in this way and many profitable thoughts were brought out. The professor will give another lecture at the Presbyterian church tonight.

MOTHERS Praise Hood's Sarsaparilla, because, by its great blood enriching qualities, it gives rosy cheeks and vigorous appetites to pale and puny children.

Hood's Pills are the favorite family cathartic and liver medicine. Price 25c.

Graff Clarke, Teacher of Violin. Special terms to beginners in classes. At Schumann Studio, Hansen building, 116 East Main. 680t12

Portrait frames ready made and made to order very cheap, at Judson E. Rice's.

Suits made to order for \$15 and upwards and pants from \$3.50 upwards at Joe Hansen's the tailor. 632t1

Canadian Holiday Excursions. The C. & W. M. and D. G. R. & W. Railways will sell tickets on December 16, 17 and 18 to Canadian points at one way fare for round trip. All good to return until January 7, 1909. Ask agents for full information. GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

West Sodus, Dec. 21.—The sick at Dan Stump's are much better..

W. T. Price will be at Sodus in his barber shop Friday and until Christmas day noon.

H. H. Woods went to his home in Hartford Saturday of last week and Mrs. Woods Tuesday of this week.

Protracted meetings are still in progress at Bethel church.

Mrs. May Bacon is in Benton Harbor. She is in very poor health and is being treated by Dr. Scott, of St. Joseph.

The Sabbath school convention will be held at Bethel church next Sabbath, December 26.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hogue spent last week at Lansing attending the state grange.

James Harvey is on the sick list. Rev. Wallace of the M. P. church is giving a series of lectures at the Johnson school house.

E. C. Brown and family are spending a few days at Barron lake. Mrs. Brown's father is over 80 years of age. His children are gathering together to celebrate their father's birthday.

MONEY FOR ROCKEFELLER.

Mrs. Yessen Finally Pays for the Pasture of Her Cow.

Greenwich, Conn., Dec. 21.—Mrs. Mary Yessen yesterday settled the case which Mr. Luxon, William Rockefeller's agent, had instituted against her in Mr. Rockefeller's name, for pastureage of a cow. The claim was \$17.50. The costs would have amounted to as much more, but the officials threw off a percentage of their expenses, making the total sum only \$21.65. Mr. Rockefeller's agent wanted all that was due him and he got it.

D-O-D-D

THE PECULIARITIES OF THIS WORD.

No Name on Earth So Famous—No Name More Widely Imitated.

No name on earth, perhaps, is so well known, more peculiarly constructed, or more widely imitated than the word DODD. It possesses a peculiarity that makes it stand out prominently and fastens it in the memory. It contains four letters, but only two letters of the alphabet. Everyone knows that the first kidney remedy ever patented or sold in pill form was named DODD'S. Their discovery startled the medical profession the world over, and revolutionized the treatment of kidney diseases.

No imitator has ever succeeded in constructing a name possessing the peculiarity of DODD, though they nearly all adopt names as similar as possible in sound and construction to this. Their foolishness prevents them realizing that attempts to imitate increases the fame of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Why is the name "Dodd's Kidney Pills" imitated? As well ask why are diamonds and gold imitated. Because diamonds are the most precious gems, gold the most precious metal. Dodd's Kidney Pills are imitated because they are the most valuable medicine the world has ever known.

No medicine was ever named kidney pills till years of medical research gave Dodd's Kidney Pills to the world. No medicine ever cured Bright's disease except Dodd's Kidney Pills. No other medicine has cured as many cases of Rheumatism, Diabetes, Heart Disease, Lumbago, Dropsy, Female Weakness, and other kidney diseases as Dodd's Kidney Pills have. It is universally known that they have never failed to cure these diseases, hence they are so widely and shamelessly imitated.

Warner & Summerill

Pipestone Street..

Dealers in

Choice Meats...

At all times...

Benton Harbor Bicycle Works

All kinds of repairing done on short notice. General machine repairs a specialty. Skates sharpened. Bicycles cleaned, re-enamed and generally overhauled. Special prices on this class of work if brought in before February 1, 1909.

A. F. SCHOELZ, Prop.

Ladies 14 karat gold cases and Elgin movement at \$22.25 at Hollis & Son's.

The two cigars "Columbia" and "Our Congressman."

Lister's Bone Meal. This famous bone meal which has stood the test of years may be obtained by leaving orders with H. P. Boehm, Benton Harbor, or with the general agent.

1681 C. H. FARNUM, Hagar.

THE NEW YORK STORE

Smoke.... AND Water SALE

Our Claim is Adjusted.

We have opened a bona-fideSale of....

Dry Goods, Cloaks, Boots and Shoes.

Slightly damaged by smoke and water, and will continue until the entire stock is closed out. This is your chance to prepare liberally for the holidays.

RAPP & CO.

The New York Store, 107 Pipestone Street

.XMAS. Handkerchief and Muffler ...SALE...

Our line of Handkerchiefs and Mufflers is the most complete that's been shown in the Twin Cities at any one time. During the Holiday season the prices are what always make the largest impression when buying and we have both prices and quality. Read our prices:

Ladies', Gents' and Children's Handkerchiefs

Children's hemmed hdkfs at 1c
Children's hemstitched hdkfs at 2c
Ladies' hemstitched hdkfs at 5c
Ladies' embroidered hemstitched hdkfs at 5c
Ladies' fine embroidered hdkfs at 10c
Ladies' hemstitched initial hdkfs at 15c
Ladies' fine embroidered hdkfs at 15c
Ladies' fine hemstitched hdkfs at 25c
Ladies' fine embroidered hdkfs at 25c
Ladies' fine silk embroidered hdkfs, 30c
Ladies' embroidered silk hdkfs at 10c
Ladies' fine embroidered hdkfs at 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c and \$1.
Ladies' plain white hemstitched hdkfs at 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 and 50 cents.
Gents' plain white hemmed hdkfs at 5c
Gents' fancy border hemstitched hdkfs at 5c
Gents' jup initial hemstitched hdkfs, 15c
Gents' fancy bordered jup hemstitched hdkfs at 15c
Gents' all silk initial hdkfs at 25c
Gents' all silk fancy border hemstitched hdkfs at 25c
Gents' all linen hemstitched hdkfs, 25c
Gents' all silk hemstitched initial hdkfs at 40c
Gents' all silk hemstitched hdkfs at 35c and 50c
Gents' plain white hemstitched hdkfs at 10, 15, 20, 25, 35 and 50 cents.
Gents' fancy border hemstitched hdkfs at 10 and 15 cents.

We have a beautiful line of Fine Dress Goods and Fancy Silks, and a large line Ladies' Kid Gloves. It will pay you to give us a call. During our Xmas Sale we will give to each and every purchaser of \$5.00 and upwards a handsome Parthian cloth dress pattern,

Chicago Bargain Store

Leaders of Low and Popular Prices.

106 East Main Street, Hotel Benton Block, Benton Harbor.

LADIES CIRCLE G. A. R. REGULAR

meetings second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 2:30 p. m. in G. A. R. Hall. Mrs. ELLIEN D. PLUMMER, President. Mrs. NELLIE L. WARD, Secretary.

BENTON DIVISION, COURT NO. 1, ORDER of Patrons, meets every Friday evening in Modern Woodmen hall. JOHN SELFRIDGE, Justice. W. H. ANDREWS, Clerk.

K NIGHTS OF THE MACCABEES, BENTON Tent, No. 104, meet at Odd Fellows' hall Regular review second and fourth Fridays in each month. R. P. CHADDOCK, R. G. K. W. PALMS, Com.

BENTON LODGE NO. 128, I. O. O. F., MEETS Every Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock in their lodge room opposite the post office. All visiting brothers are cordially invited. GUY E. MITCHELL, N. G. GEORGE W. FALSB, Secretary.

LADIES OF THE MACCABEES, BENTON Hive, No. 548, meet at Odd Fellows' hall, first and third Wednesday nights of each month. EMMA CANTRELL, Commander. MARGARET MURRAY, Record Keeper.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD—BANNER Camp No. 40 commencing April 30, meet every other Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock at G. A. R. hall on West Main street. Visiting sovereigns will be cordially received. JOHN F. GERTLING, Consul Commander. JOHN F. HARPER, Clerk.

MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA, IVY Leaf Camp No. 901 meets every Monday evening at the Woodmen Hall on West Main street. Visiting Woodmen will be cordially entertained. B. L. HALL, V. C. N. G. WENELL, Clerk.

Farmers and Merchants ..BANK..

BENTON HARBOR, MICH Capital \$50,000. Surplus, \$50,000

JOHN ROBINSON, President. CHAS. FOSTER, Cashier. R. M. JONES, Vice Pres. Directors—John Robinson, R. H. Sherwood, William Stewart, J. Plummer, Edwin Brann, O. B. Hipp, R. M. Jones, W. P. Robbins and Charles Foster.

Do a General Banking Business. ..Savings Department.. Interest paid on Deposits.

How Trains Run WEST MICHIGAN.

CHICAGO & WEST MICHIGAN RAILWAY. In effect Dec. 1, 1897.

Going South			Stations			Going North		
a. m.	p. m.	a. m.		p. m.	a. m.	p. m.	a. m.	p. m.
8:45	1:25	11:30	Grand Rapids	8:35	1:30	6:30	8:45	1:25
12:10	8:50	3:00	Benton Harbor	10:30	8:05	3:00	12:25	3:57
12:25	3:57	3:15	St. Joseph	10:20	7:50	2:59	3:20	6:50
3:20	6:50	6:40	Chicago	7:20	5:15	11:10		
							a. m.	p. m.

DETROIT, G. D. RAPIDS & WESTERN R. R. Trains leave Grand Rapids for Lansing and Detroit at 7:00 a. m., 1:35 p. m. and 6:35 p. m. For Saginaw at 7:10 a. m. and 4:20 p. m. Parlor cars on all trains; seats 25 cents.

GEO. DEHAVEN, Gen. Pass. Agt., Grand Rapids. JAS. MAHONEY, Act., Benton Harbor.

THE BIG FOUR. C. C. & ST. L. RAILWAY.

MICHIGAN DIVISION. No. 23 leaves Benton Harbor at 7:00 a. m. for Indianapolis, Louisville, Cincinnati and intermediate points. No. 25 leaves at 1:00 p. m. for Indianapolis, Louisville, Cincinnati and intermediate points. No. 27 leaves at 5:00 p. m. for Indianapolis, Louisville, Cincinnati and intermediate points. Arrive at Benton Harbor: No. 28, 8:50 a. m. No. 29, 2:10 p. m. No. 30, 8:40 p. m.

VANDALIA LINE.

Taking effect Sept. 28, 1897

South bound			North bound		
No. 15	No. 3	No. 1	No. 6	No. 14	No. 16
5:15	10:30	11:00	5:15	10:30	11:00
5:45	11:08	11:30	5:45	11:08	11:30
6:12	11:29	11:50	6:12	11:29	11:50
7:00	12:08	12:30	7:00	12:08	12:30

All trains daily except Sunday.

For complete time card giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates through fares etc. address FRANK R. HALE, Agent St. Joseph, Mo. E. A. FORD, Gen. Pass. Agt., St. Louis, Mo.

Milwaukee, Benton Harbor & Columbus Railway Co.

Effective Sunday, December 5, 1897.

Going South			Going North		
No. 3	No. 1	No. 2	No. 4	No. 2	No. 4
Daily	Daily	Daily	Daily	Daily	Daily
2:15	5:15	8:15	2:15	5:15	8:15
Sun. Sun. B. H.	Sun. Sun. B. H.	Sun. Sun. B. H.	Sun. Sun. B. H.	Sun. Sun. B. H.	Sun. Sun. B. H.
4:00	7:00	10:00	4:00	7:00	10:00
4:15	7:15	10:15	4:15	7:15	10:15
4:25	7:25	10:25	4:25	7:25	10:25
4:42	7:42	10:42	4:42	7:42	10:42
4:51	7:51	10:51	4:51	7:51	10:51
5:10	8:10	11:10	5:10	8:10	11:10

Connections: No. 1 with M. C. No. 21 west. No. 4 with M. C. No. 14 east. No. 2 with M. C. No. 6 east and C. & W. M. No. 1 south. No. 4 with C. & W. M. No. 4 south and No. 3 north.

Benton Harbor Depot—E. Territorial Street.

L. O. SCHAEFER, General Agent. H. E. DICKINSON, Gen. Frt. & Pass. Agt.

For Holiday Bargains

Go to the cheapest place in town

The Yellow Front Bargain Store

25 and 50 cents buys a regular dollar

Photograph Album. Small jobbers stock to close out.

15x15 Parlor Stands only 45c.

Combinations Writing Desk and Book Cases \$8.00 and \$10.50; those are bargains.

\$4.75 and \$5.50 buys elegant new Couches.

\$1.25 buys a nice new Rocker.

\$1.50 buys a decorated 6 piece Toilet set.

14c buys a Hand Lamp complete.

25c buys a Stand Lamp complete with large burner.

18c buys an 8x10 Mirror.

10c buys a quart can of Fruit, all kinds.

15c buys 2 quart can of Fruit, all kinds.

Stoves all kinds and prices. Don't buy until you have seen what we have.

We have lots of second-hand goods nearly as good as new that can be bought for about one half regular prices. Come and look our store over for Xmas presents. It will pay you to hunt us up.

THE YELLOW FRONT BARGAIN STORE

IS IT SKY OLDS' SCHEME?

Has He Induced O'Donnell to Go Up Against It?

Detroit News: "While the press and politicians are guessing as to Jim O'Donnell's reason for jumping into the gubernatorial fight at this time, please let me suggest," said an insider. "Soon's I see the Mancelona Herald spring the boom, it was clear to me. That fellow Slusser is a friend of 'Sky' Olds. 'Sky,' he's been flying around to see what he can stir up, and here's the result. He's induced poor Jim O'Donnell to go up against the buzz-saw as a forlorn hope. It's only a few weeks ago that it was stated from Grand Rapids that 'Sky' was booming Jim, and Olds denied it. But I'm giving it to you straight. Jim O'Donnell, backed by railroad influence, wants to be governor! Good-bye, Jim; take keer o' yerself."

PINGREE'S MACHINE.

O'Donnell May Get an Introduction to a Busy Saw.

Lansing, Dec. 21.—Those federal machine republicans who fancy that Governor Pingree's officeholders at the capital are not looking ahead into next year's campaign couldn't delude themselves more completely if they tried. Hardly a day passes that baskets full of speeches are not dumped into the Lansing postoffice. They are addressed to all sorts of places and persons from Maine to California. In fact, if he were planning for a race for the presidency in 1900 he could not be more particular to give his effusions a widespread circulation. His address to the Nineteenth Century club of New York city, in which he recounted his eight years' experience in public life, fighting octopi, is the one that has the boom at present. One edition of 10,000 has been run off at the state printing office and the presses are ready to be started on a similar edition. Besides that the governor bought 10,000 issues of a paper which had printed the speech in full. These copies have all been mailed. Stacks of the pamphlet can be seen in every department where the governor's orders count for anything. Bundles of from ten to 100 are sent to known admirers, with a request that they be kind enough to distribute them among their neighbors.

E. D. Conger has brought the \$17,000 interest of the late Prof. Swensberg in the Grand Rapids Herald, giving him \$34,000 of the \$40,000 stock. Congressman William Alden Smith is the next largest stockholder.

Receiver May, of Ingham County Savings bank, has declared a dividend of 25 per cent, to be paid Thursday. The bank closed last year, and this is the first dividend.

Joe Miller, the Bangor cobbler, found guilty of second violation of the local option law, was given the alternative of going to jail or taking the gold cure. He refused to take the cure, and friends by paying a fine for him secured his release.

Michigan postmasters appointed Monday: Daggett, Menominee county, L. E. Weng, vice Paul Perrizo, jr., removed; Drummond, Chippewa county, Miss H. B. Morgan, vice D. M. Seaman, removed; East LeRoy, Calhoun county, Henry Knox, vice L. T. Morris, resigned; Hartman, Berrien county, H. H. Hoadley, vice H. E. Clippinger, resigned; Ingalls, Menominee county, C. T. Morbeck, vice L. A. Jennings, removed; Iron River, Iron county, Miss M. M. Sweet, vice Edward Scott, removed; Livingston, Berrien county, Mrs. Ella Fox, vice Mrs. A. J. Moore, resigned; Republic, Marquette county, Eric Ericson, vice T. Gariepy, removed; Stephenson, Menominee county, Jacob Woessner, vice J. C. Guay, removed; Tigris, Oceana county, Mrs. L. M. Thomas, vice M. D. Thomas, resigned.

The authorities in Van Buren county seem to be tireless in their pursuit and punishment of violators of the prohibition laws in force in that county. Out of seventeen cases in the past three months, there have been thirteen convictions. Four of those convicted went to jail and the others paid fines and costs amounting to \$718.

Advices received at Laporte, Indiana, state that twenty Mormon elders will begin a series of meetings in Van Buren, Kent, Cass, St. Joseph, Calhoun and other southern Michigan counties. Permanent headquarters will be established in Grand Rapids. The crusade, which will be conducted, will be similar in character to that of the Salvation army. A crusade was conducted about a year ago, but the number of proselytes was small and the work of making converts was abandoned.

One of the best known families in Cass county is that of the Jane Lumpkin, aged 91 years, who lives just south of Cassopolis. Five generations of the family are living. Mrs. Lumpkin's daughter, Nancy Monroe, is 68 years of age; her granddaughter, Jennie Stockdale, is 44 years old; her great grandson, Elgin Stockdale, is 24 years old, and her great great granddaughter, Nathalie Stockdale is four months old.

George B. Turner, of Cassopolis, and D. D. Sinclair, of Adrian, are said to be the only living members of the legislature of 1848.

The building of the municipal lighting plant at Grand Rapids is delayed because the city charter conflicts as to whether the aldermen or the board of public works shall have charge of the construction.

SPECIALS THIS WEEK

Our qualities at the price have not been matched and will not be beaten in 1897.

The warm weather has left us with more Underwear than we should have at this season, and we will make prices that should clear the tables and benefit consumers.

We have 15 dozen Men's natural grey, double breasted, fleece lined shirts, with drawers to match, will be closed out, the suit for 35c

10 dozen Men's ribbed Jersey Fleece, ecru color, shirts and drawers, the suit for... 75c

10 dozen Boys' grey Jersey ribbed fleeced shirts and drawers, sizes 16 to 34, each at... 19c

A few Silk Ribbons still in stock, Nos. 5 to 40, at the old price of 5c and 10c. In Handkerchiefs we cannot mention the many styles and prices. One of the desirable things is a Gentle's fine hemstitched, full size, Silkline, at 12c, and a Ladies' white, all linen, hemstitched, 8c each.

Our Grocery Dept. is Becoming More Complete

Every day and the prices continue to make it popular. If you have trouble in getting a tea or coffee to suit, just give us a trial. Our blended goods cannot be beat, and prices range from 12c for a good fresh roasted Santos coffee to 40c for the best goods shown in this city.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS We have added a line of KRANZ FINE FRESH CANDIES.

Also mixed candies at 6c lb. in 1-lb packages only. Mixed nuts at 10c qt. Raisins at all prices.

Family Lard at 5c lb. Michigan Family Soap, 10 bars 25c. True Bros. Pure Buckwheat Flour at 2 1/2 c lb.

HIGHEST MARKET PRICES PAID FOR BUTTER AND EGGS.

At E. W. Moore's Daylight Store

131 to 137 Pipestone St., Benton Harbor.

BLOWN OUT TO SEA.

Helpless Birds That Are Driven to Death by Fierce Gales.

Birds driven before the wind are tossed about relentlessly, and they rarely recover their balance after once being caught by the gale. Shore birds are either dashed upon the waves and made to swim for their lives or they are hurled violently against trees or other objects and killed. Shore birds, when facing a gale, will take every advantage of trees, houses and hills as defenses against the wind. They will close their wings and sink so close to the ground as to get the protecting shelter of a hedge fence, and then swoop up again with renewed headway. They frequently advance before the gale by a series of side evolutions, flying at right angles to the wind until they have attained considerable velocity, and then wheeling about straight against the wind and making some headway before it overcomes them. This operation is repeated continually until the desired place is reached.

During our fall and early winter gales partridges and quail are quite frequently blown out to sea by a strong hurricane, where some of them have been picked up by fishermen. In nearly all such instances they are caught by the gale when high in the air, and before they can recover themselves they are hurried out beyond the shore and dropped into the water. With their plumage soaked with the spray they instantly become helpless and cannot reach the shore in the face of the wind. On our inland lakes and rivers this is a more common sight than along the ocean shore.

When once blown out to sea, the shore birds have little chance of escape. Unable to battle against the heavy wind, they yield themselves to their fate and drift about until the storm subsides. By that time they are likely to be so far from shore that they cannot reach it again, and they either fly or swim until they starve to death or die of exhaustion. Their dead bodies, along with those of the hapless gulls, terns and herons, are finally drifted upon some shore, where the waves leave them high and dry. After every heavy storm hundreds of such luckless victims can be found on the beaches of our Atlantic coast.—Our Animal Friends.

BE CAREFUL.

Don't Put Excelsior Water in Cans With Metal Tops.

Manager Peter English, of the Excelsior mineral water company urges with much earnestness against the placing of the mineral water in cans with metal tops.

There are properties in the water that makes it unfit for use when it comes in contact with metal and those who have had the water standing in cans lined with metal are advised to throw it away.

He also states that the use of jugs is dangerous as the water eats the lining off and forms a liquid which also is poisonous.

The company is preparing to condense the water in wooden tanks heated by steam and the salt will be sold in the form of tablets.

Holiday Excursion Rates. For Christmas and New Year holidays, C. & W. M. & D. G. R. & W. Ry. agents will sell tickets at one and one-third fare to stations in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana. Selling dates December 24, 25, 31, and January 1. Return limit January 4.

GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

If you want a fine finish on your goods and a perfect fitting neck band no to the Enterprise laundry. tf603

Have you seen Wallace Bros.' fine line of candy, 110 Pipestone street?

Everybody Says So.

Cascareta Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, acting and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

Tri-Weekly to Chicago.

The steamer City of Duluth will leave Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings for Chicago. Fare each way, including berth, \$1.

GRAHAM & MORTON TRANS. CO.

Holiday Rates.

On December 24, 25, 31 and January 1 the Big Four will sell tickets at one and one-third fare good to return January 4. Tickets sold to all local points and to all points on connecting lines.

L. J. SMITH, Agent.

Cabinet photos \$1.50 at A. D. Lacy's.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents. Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c. All druggists.

The Enterprise laundry is now ready for business. Try them for fine work. tf603

The news service of The Chicago Chronicle is complete. Those who have not read this model newspaper lately should send for a sample copy. They are cheerfully sent free.

Old papers for sale at this office.

Those wishing photos for Christmas should come early and avoid the rush at A. D. Lacy's.

100 Sets of Books

FREE

School Dreams Co. will give them away

The School Dreams Publishing Co., a large and reliable firm, has recently purchased one hundred sets of fine books which they are going to give away, absolutely free, to the readers of THE EVENING NEWS for the purpose of advertising School Dreams, a large fine magazine. Read on. Following are five combinations of letters out of which can be spelled the names of five of the United States. For example: HOIO is Ohio. Here they are: HOIO KOYNERW IHCMGNAI NESTA HOIDA

Can you make them out? If so, you are very lucky. Send in your list and receive a prize. To every person sending a correct solution of the above we will send a set of two books as follows: Set No. 1—National Handy Dictionary and the Family Doctor Book; or Set No. 2—Corsican Brothers, by Alexander Dumas, and a Rogue's Life, by Wilkie Collins.

Take your choice. This is no fake. The books will be sent to every person sending a correct list. With every list you send enclose 10 cents to pay for a three months' subscription to School Dreams. Hurry up. This is really the most liberal offer ever made by any publisher. All lists must be addressed: SCHOOL DREAMS PUB. CO., Dept. X, Benton Harbor, Mich.

Ask for "Our Congressman" cigs.

Relief in Six Hours

Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "New South American Kidney Cure." This new remedy is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water and pain in passing it almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is your remedy. Sold by G. M. Bell & Co., 103 Main street, Druggist, Benton Harbor, Mich.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Benton Harbor Electric Railway and Transit company, for increasing the number of directors from six to seven and for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may come properly before the meeting, will be held in the offices of the company at Benton Harbor, Michigan, on Wednesday the 12th day of January, 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m. Dated at Benton Harbor, Michigan, December 9, 1897. tf679 W. H. HOLLIS, Secy.

Suits made to order for \$15 and upwards and pants from \$3.50 upwards at Joe Hansen's the tailor. 632tf

Canadian Holiday Excursions. The C. & W. M. & D. G. R. & W. railways will sell tickets on December 18, 17 and 18 to Canadian points at one way fare for round trip. All good to return until January 7, 1898. Ask agents for full information. GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

You can get a cheap bicycle at Burkhard's.

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Plans and Specifications Furnished for all Classes of Work. Estimates Given Free of Charge. We guarantee our work in every particular. It will pay you to call and see us before building. OFFICE: 159 1-2 Pipestone Street Benton Harbor, Mich.

S. M. WHITE ..Dentist

Jones & Sonner Block, Benton Harbor.

W. W. CHESLEY The Clothing Renovator and Dyer..

110 Pipestone, Under Wallace Bros. Is now prepared to do all kinds of Cleaning and Repairing, both ladies' and gents'. First class work. Now is the time to have your clothing put in order for winter. Overcoats and Suits made to look like new. Try it and save the price of a new suit.

DYEING A SPECIALTY. ALSO CARPETS CLEANED.

TO THE LADIES.



MADAME J. DE CANTER has opened parlors at rooms 6 and 8, Newland Block. Switches made to order. Hair goods for sale. Also a fine assortment of toilet articles for sale. No extra charge for going to the house.

DAN GREEN... Still does ...DRAYING

Leave orders at Owens' Grocery.

JOHN BAUTE & SON

Practical Roofers, Tin, Iron, Steel, Asbestos and Feit

ROOFING

and Roof Painting and Repairing in connection with our foundry and machine shop we deal in new and second hand

ENGINES and BOILERS

and machinery of all kinds. Also manufacturers of

Wood Split Pulleys, Collars, Couplers, Hangers and Shafting. Agents for the DAYTON GAS ENGINE the best in the market.

G. W. Closson

thanks the public for their generous patronage during the past year, and wishes to announce that in connection with his

'BUS AND BAGGAGE

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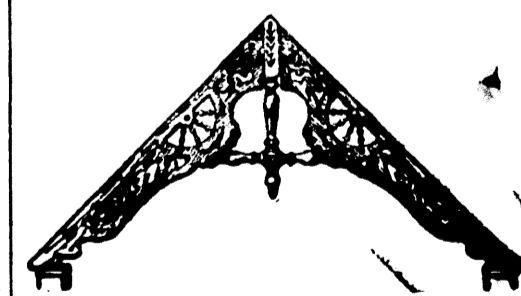
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This animal is about the size of a small dog. One of its claws is nearly as large as the rest of the body. The crab has a habit of raising this limb in a peculiar way as to give the impression that it beckons or threatens.

In appearance it is a very formidable creature, possessing enormous eyes and the largest of feelers. It takes up its position at the front door of the house and looks in every way as a watchdog and every bit as faithfully. It is possessed of wonderful strength, speed and stamina, easily overtaking an enemy not possessed of sprinting powers.

Its instinct is very acute, and it is rarely at fault in spotting a "wrong person" who approaches the house with any evil intention. Woe to the intruder if he gets into the clutches of the merciless doorkeeper. It will require a sledge hammer to extricate him from the embrace.

This crab is of a very affectionate disposition toward members of the household and plays with children with the gentleness of an English retriever. It is highly prized by natives on account of its usefulness as a house defender and is very costly to buy.

It has one peculiar rooted objection, and that is to dining in company. All endeavors short of starvation seem to be useless to induce this domestic curiosity to dine with the household, as, for instance, a dog does. It shuns company when feeding and when given its food ambles off to the darkest nook to consume it, returning to the door to renew its vigilance.—Strand Magazine.

The Old Soldier.

The pleasantest of talkers is the old soldier. Always there is meat in his words, and almost always he is modest. Between him and the modern is the difference between the man who has seen and done and the man who has read about it. The scenes of the war were so tremendous and its cataclysms so frequent that time cannot dim their recollection of them. They are still as fresh in the minds of participants as are the things of yesterday. A veteran once told me that not a day passed over his head that he did not unwittingly recall a dozen battles in which he had borne his part. Thus it is that in any company of men who were mustered out in 1865 the talk invariably reverts to that period.

The old soldiers are dying with increasing frequency, as is the nature of things, but still there are enough left to make any gathering notable by their presence. Charles Lever says that so long as humanity exists men will do three things—make war, make love and gamble—and they can't be legislated out of them. Certainly, although we be all advocates of peace, we dearly love a warrior and we exalt his horn. We love him for the things he has done, we respect him for his bravery, we look with veneration upon his wooden leg, and we listen with pleasure to his repeated tales of suffering and daring.—Chicago Times-Herald.

Iron In the System.

Walker was one of those who do not believe in doctors, and he never lost an opportunity of having a dig at them. When he was brought home in a cab with a broken leg and the medical man had to be sent for, Walker was much humiliated.

"Rather serious," said the man of physic and fees, "but you'll go on if I take care. I'll send you an iron tonic."

"Don't want it!" exclaimed the patient shortly. "Iron is no good."

"Excuse me," returned the doctor stiffly, "iron is good for the system." And as Walker doggedly repeated his objection he continued with some warmth: "It is beyond all question, sir, in whatever way iron enters the body it is good, and it is a mistaken notion to say that it makes a man irritable."

"I beg to differ most emphatically," retorted Walker desperately, finding himself driven into a corner for an argument. "I say it causes irritability and therefore isn't good, and if you want proof just you sit down on the business end of a tack."

And he fell back in bed with a look of triumph.—Pearson's Weekly.

He Knew Him.

Several travelers were waiting for a train on the veranda of a southwest Georgia hotel. It was a dismal, rainy day, and one of them remarked:

"This reminds me of one of Longfellow's poems, 'The Day Is Done.'"

At the mention of the name Longfellow a tall stranger leaned forward and said:

"Longfellow? What do you know about him?"

"Little," replied the first speaker, "except that he wrote books."

"An is he a writin' of books?" asked the tall man. "Why, the last time I heard of him he wuz runnin' fer sheriff in makin' of stump speeches."

"I fear you are mistaken in the man," said the first speaker, laughing.

"Not me," replied the tall man. "Don't I know him? Bill Longfellow—"

He squinted in one eye and a cut over the other. An jest ter think—the durned fool's took ter writin'—Atlanta Constitution.

Five Emeralds.

Cortes obtained in Mexico five emeralds of wonderful size and beauty. One was like a rose, another in the shape of a horn, a third in that of a fish, with diamond eyes, a fourth like a bell, with a pearl for a clapper; the fifth was a cup, with a foot of gold and with four little chains, each ended with a large pearl. He had also two emerald necklaces, worth 800,000 crowns each.

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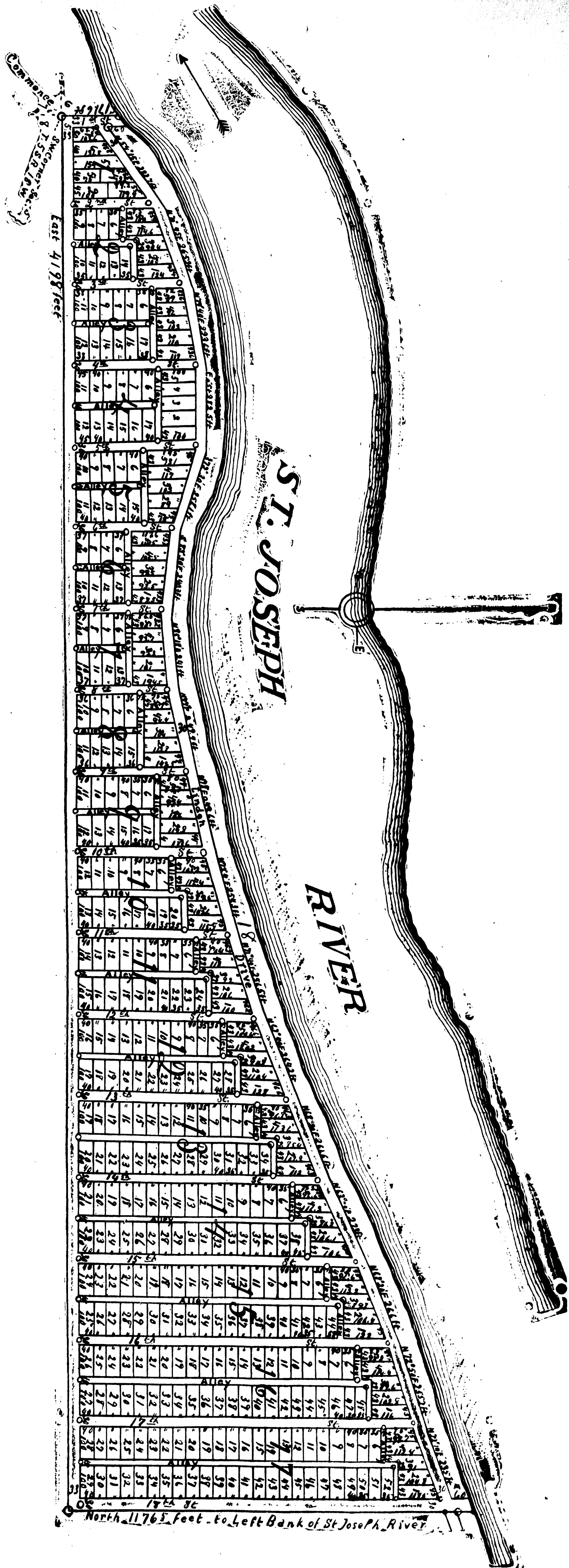
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City Council Use \$15,000 of the Street Improvement Bonds to Good Purpose.

BUYS LAND FOR CANAL BRIDGE

A Little Objection Because the Bonds Did Not Pass Through the Treasurer's Hands.

After the routine business of the council had been transacted last evening a recess of an hour was taken and the council went into an unofficial secret session with the officials of the Milwaukee, Benton Harbor & Columbus road. At 12:30 the council reassembled and voted to deliver to J. McGregor Adams of Chicago, one of the capitalists of the road, in consideration of a deed of the piece of land on which the canal bridge swings, valued at \$10,000, and for bridging Ox creek at both Main and Territorial streets, and for street repairs, work to the value of \$5,000.

The vote was unanimous, with the exception of the vote of Alderman McDonald. He favored the deal but his objection was based on the ground that the bonds ought to be sold and the cash pass through the hands of the treasurer.

As Mr. Adams was willing to take all risks on the bonds the resolution instructing Mayor Bell to deliver the bonds carried and the bonds were very soon in the hands of Mr. Adams and hours ago they have found their way into the third hands.

The strip of land purchased has involved the city into several lawsuits and the bargain is a good one. The city owns the canal bridge but has no land on which to swing it. It has already suffered several damage suits.

The property on the north side of the bridge is no longer in danger of being cut off from communication with the city as by the purchase the city now really owns the land it has been occupying as a trespasser.

Leave orders for one of those extra fine five pound boxes of mixed bon bon and chocolate. Christmas prices \$1.25
EDGAR NICHOLS.

HAD A BANQUET.

Ivy Leaf Camp, Modern Woodmen Celebrated Last Night.

Ivy Leaf camp, Modern Woodmen, of this city, had a blow-out in their hall last night at which time they entertained visitors from Eau Claire, St. Joseph and Buchanan.

The regular lodge meeting was held and three new members were initiated into the order after which the tables were spread and a genuine old fashioned oyster supper was enjoyed.

F. M. Van Horn acted as toastmaster of the occasion and speeches were made by W. C. Hicks, George Cunningham and others.

The Modern Woodmen lodge is rapidly increasing in numbers in this city and some of the members claim that in 10 years the order will have the largest membership of any secret organization.

Attention, Ladies of G. A. R.

The next meeting of Henry C. Rowe circle, ladies of the G. A. R., will be held Wednesday afternoon, at 2 p. m. sharp. Let every member be present as it will be the annual election of officers. By order of
ELLEN D. PLUMMER, President.
NELLIE L. WARD, Secretary.

CHRISTMAS LINE UP.

High School Boys Who Run Up Against Twin City Team.

The line up of the two teams, which will play the final game of the season next Saturday afternoon on the old foot ball grounds on Empire and Colfax avenues, will be as follows with the respective weights of each player:

High School	Twin City
Center Shauman 156	Kessler 172
R. G. Niles 163	Kramer 168
L. G. Woodruff 173	Bort 168
R. T. Ward 168	Borden 130
L. T. Wright 155	McLin 140
R. E. Busby 148	Busby 135
L. E. Russell 155	Plummer 130
Q. B. Blisbee 130	Grimley 130
R.H.B. Carlisle 163	Holmes 150
L.H.B. Correll 175	Warren 135
F. B. Chapman 148	Chrest 156
Subs—Barryon, Clauser	Grow and Shepard

THE FAVORITE GAME.

A Little Rough, but a Good Test of American Endurance.

Football has grown in favor in America until today it occupies a most prominent place in athletic sports.

Twenty-five thousand people recently witnessed the game at New Haven between Yale and Princeton.

The work is tremendous and requires young men of powerful physique and good strong hearts and lungs.

The trainers quite universally forbid the use of coffee because of its effect on the heart.

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The Milwaukee, Benton Harbor & Columbus railway company has ordered the material necessary for the approaches to the new steel bridge across the St. Joseph river and teams will be crossing the bridge in sixty days. This bridge will be the equivalent of adding 500 population to the city.

THE INDIANS.

Alleged Effort to Cheat Them Out of Chicago Property.

Brace Knapp, a son-in-law of Chief Pokagon, has just returned from Dowagiac where he discovered an alleged scheme to beat the band of Indians out of their Chicago property.

Mr. Knapp says that Chicago parties interested in getting possession of the Indians' claims have sent a lawyer to Dowagiac ostensibly to locate, but really to trap the band into giving up their rights to the property in Chicago. He says the rich people of Dowagiac are helping him and that they are succeeding in pulling the wool over the eyes of many members of the band.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

What Benton Harbor's People and Societies Are Doing.

The Tribe of Ben Hur elected officers last evening for the ensuing year with the following results: Chief, Earl Hemingway; Judge, A. C. Jeffries; teacher, Henry Null; scribe, Mabel Geer; keeper of tribute, Ray Ayers; captain, Ira Hemingway; guide, Grace Geer; keeper of inner gate, W. B. Smith; keeper of outer gate, George Stretch.

Mrs. G. G. Mull and children left this morning for Greensburg, Ind., where they will spend six week visiting relatives and friends.

Don't fail to hear Marion Barton, the child violinist, and Master Willie Ludlow, the boy soprano, with the Newsboys' band concert one week from tomorrow night.

Miss Blanche Alden, of Chicago, is the guest of relatives and friends here.

Miss Saidie Edwards, a young lady of this city, who for some time past been a clerk in the New York store, will leave this city tomorrow for Lowell, Mass., where she will be united in marriage Christmas day with R. G. Simpson, a business man of that city. Miss Edwards' many friends here will wish her much happiness.

James Brennan left yesterday for Butte City, Mont., where he has secured a position for the winter.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Church of God will meet with Mrs. M. Cutler, 183 Superior street, Thursday afternoon. Old clothes will be thankfully received which will be made over for poor children.

The U. O. G. C. will elect officers at their regular meeting tonight.

George Anderson went to Eau Claire this afternoon.

A. J. Ridenour of Eau Claire is in the city today.

G. M. Powell and wife went to Graysville, Tenn., this morning over the Big Four.

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Those wishing photos for Christmas should come early and avoid the rush at A. D. Lacy's. 1t

Meat and Drink in Old England.

According to Chaucer, the more well to do of the working classes evidently spent a vast deal of time at the public house, eating and drinking, telling idle tales, playing at skittles when the weather was fine, singing rhymes of "Robin Hood," or listening to fiddlers and pipers or to gleemen and janglers of jests—that is to say, ballad singers and professional story tellers. At high prime—the hour in the middle of the forenoon when agricultural work broke off, as it still does, for a brief rest and slight meal—Langland speaks of the plowmen standing idle in the field while the plowmen sit at the ale and sing "How trolly lolly." The cook comes out to the tavern door and cries, "Hot pies, hot!" and the alewife fills pots of half and half by pouring penny ale and pudding ale together. Indoors there is plenty of food in great variety for such as can afford it—bread and broth, pot-pots of boiled peas and beans, pieces of salt bacon, stewed fowls, fried fish, baked meat, green cheese, curds and cream and baked apples.

Poorer people had to be content with half penny ale and bread not made of clean wheat, but of oatmeal or beans and bran. Idlers are threatened that they "shall eat of barley bread and of the brook drink," but it would seem that water drinking, except under some religious rule, was not common even among the poor, who drank milk and mean ale—I suppose the same as what Langland elsewhere calls farthing ale, and not much more than water with a taste in it. In the profuse use of vegetables the English of the fourteenth century were like the modern French peasantry. All through summer, till Lammas tide brought harvest to the croft and new corn came to cheaping, occasional fowls and bacon were the more embroidery upon the peas, leeks, cabbages, onions, parsley and beans which, together with the coarse bread and the abundant milk and cheese, were the staple of poor people's diet.—Cornhill Magazine.

Whitcomb, is improving and her speedy recovery is hoped for.

Capt. Robert Evans has arrived in St. Joseph to spend the winter, having laid up his steamer for the winter.

The public schools will close Friday for one week's vacation.

Miss Alice Hamlin will leave this week to spend Christmas at her home in Albion.

Miss Blanche Williams will leave Friday for her home at Edwardsburg to spend Christmas with her parents.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

Marcus Calder, a native of Scotland and a subject of the Queen of England has declared his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States. He filed the papers with County Clerk Needham today.

The county offices will be closed next Saturday.

Fourteen prisoners are now confined in the county jail. Sheriff Ferguson is making great preparations for their Christmas dinner.

Circuit court will be in session January 5 at which time the case of the Big Four railway company vs the city of Benton Harbor will come up.

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Our Eighth Annual Christmas ..Sale..

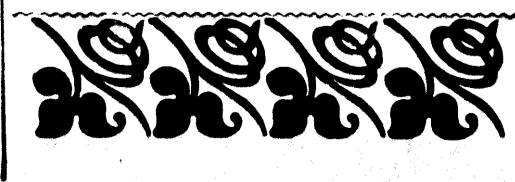
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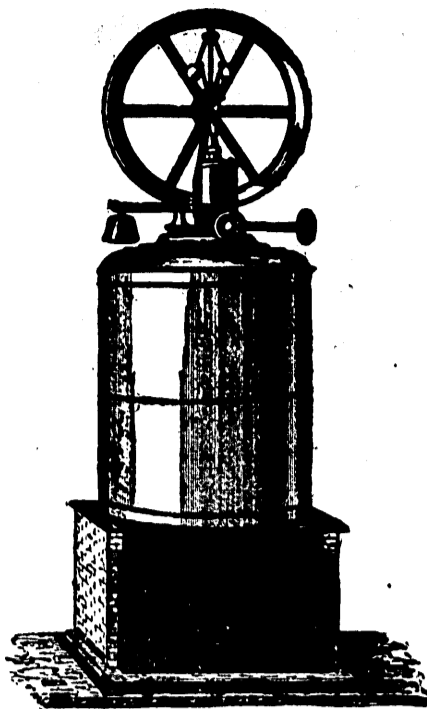
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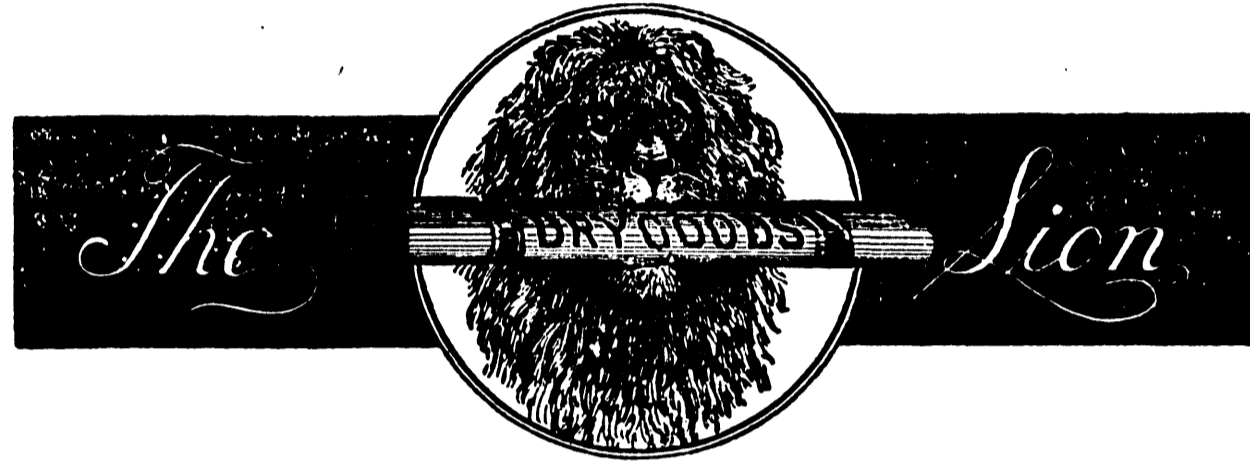
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